

ELIGIBILITY

Fellows – A degree in biomedical engineering/bioengineering (BME) is strongly preferred. Because some institutions do not offer a BME degree, exceptions may be made based on demonstrated commitment to BME, e.g. significant coursework, research, and laboratory/work experience.

Scholars – A degree in BME and a doctorate by the start of the grant period.



- 1) Be nominated by the Dean of a school or the Chair of the biomedical engineering department at the current or most recent degree granting institution.
- 2) Have obtained the latest degree no more than two years prior to the start of the grant, if not currently enrolled.
- 3) Be a U.S. citizen or be a permanent U.S. resident.
- 4) Have the necessary language skills to carry out the proposed activities in the host country by the time of departure.

Every Applicant Must

DEADLINE

The application deadline for the Whitaker Program is in late January. Check the website for details.

APPLICATION

Application requirements, the current deadline, and the application form are available online at:

www.whitaker.org

If you have any questions about your eligibility or the program, visit our website or contact us via email or telephone.

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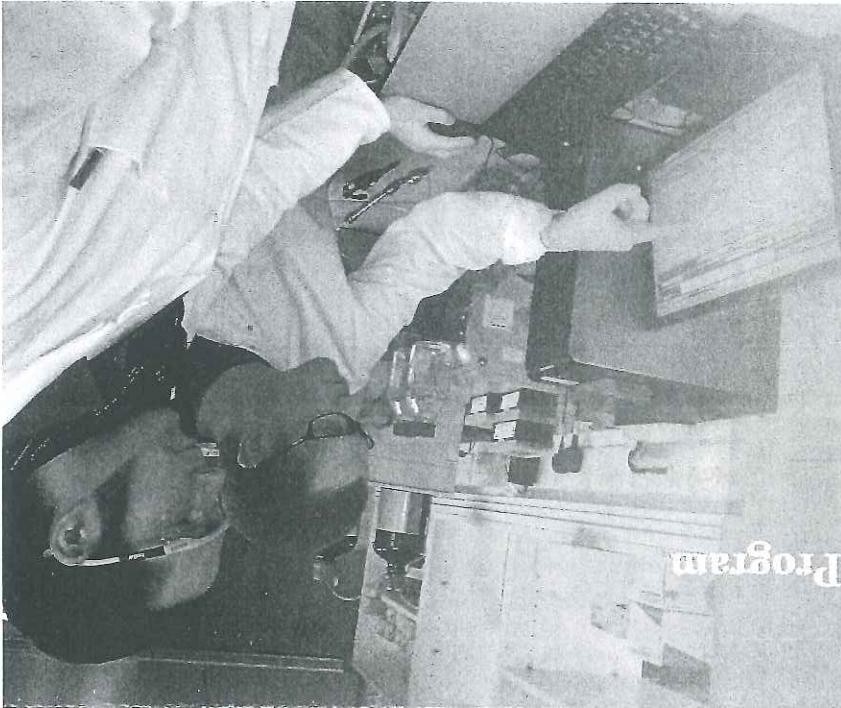
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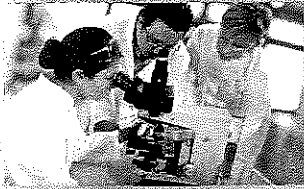
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PROGRAM OVERVIEW



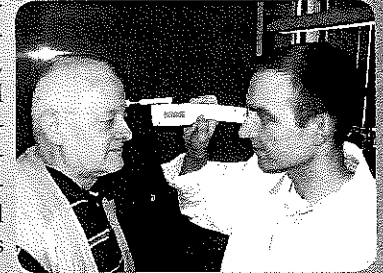
The Whitaker International Program, founded in 2005, sends emerging U.S.-based biomedical engineers abroad to study and/or conduct a research project relevant to biomedical engineering (BME).

The goal of the Whitaker Program is to assist the development of biomedical engineering leaders who are not only superb scientists, but who will advance the profession through an international outlook.

The Whitaker Program has two components: **Whitaker Fellows** (*pre-doctoral level*) and **Whitaker Scholars** (*post-doctoral level*).

The overseas experiences of the participants may vary significantly. The only essential requirement is that the activity leads to a substantial enhancement of the recipient's professional experience in biomedical engineering.

Prior to its closing in 2006, the Whitaker Foundation established and provided funding for the Whitaker International Program, which is administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE), a not-for-profit educational exchange organization dedicated to fostering international mutual understanding through professional and academic exchanges and other services.



ACTIVITIES

A Whitaker International Fellow or Scholar experience will ideally advance your career, while also advancing the goal of increased international collaboration in BME.

Activities could include:

- **After BS:** Pursuing an academic year of study or research that leads into graduate study in BME, with the possible ability to transfer credit toward an advanced degree.
- **During Graduate Studies:** Conducting study or research at an overseas institution with established ties to your home institution in order to build on an existing collaboration.
- **Internship:** Performing in-depth work in industry or policy-making (related to BME).

It is the applicant's responsibility to select the host institution and to arrange his/her affiliation. Any overseas institution that offers an outstanding professional experience in BME may be a host institution.

- **Ambassadorship:** Initiating a new relationship between your home institution and an overseas institution through collaboration in the lab or in the classroom.

- **During/After Ph.D.:** Engaging in a culminating experience by conducting research to foster career opportunities and/or link the U.S. and international BME communities.

- **Post-Doctoral:** Pursuing pre-professional post-doctoral work at a leading overseas institution.



GRANTS



Grant Lengths: Fellow awards will be one academic year (as defined by the host country's academic calendar).

Scholar awards can range from one academic semester to two academic years.

Grant benefits include:

- Round-trip international airfare
- A monthly living stipend
- Health insurance
- Approved tuition (*if applicable*)
- Mid-program enrichment seminar
- Post-grant travel grants

The monthly living stipend will be based on the cost of living in the host country and the recipient's academic level and experience.

