

**SUMMER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM  
FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS WITH  
DISABILITIES**

This summer mentorship program intends to encourage and prepare students to pursue a university degree in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) majors at the North Dakota State University.

This **pilot project** – the first of its kind in North Dakota – is conceived in order to explore the need and benefits of such a program for future events for prospective NDSU students with disabilities.

**CAMP STAFF**

The prospective students will be individually mentored by several NDSU staff and faculty members. This summer mentorship program is held in collaboration with personnel of the North Dakota Departments of Human Services and Public Instruction.

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**Summer Mentorship  
Program:  
July 6 – 10, 2009**

## **SUMMER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

The prospective students will be housed on the NDSU campus for the week of July 6-10, 2009 and the activities include:

- NDSU campus tour and orientation
- Introduction to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) programs at NDSU
- Discussion of career opportunities in various STEM fields and problems in the transition from high schools to colleges
- Visits to NDSU summer class sessions
- Discussion of financial issues, available services, and civil rights of students with disabilities
- One-on-one faculty-student mentoring and hands on educational events
- Visits to local engineering companies
- Leisure events on campus and in Fargo-Moorhead area including shopping, movies, concerts, restaurants, museums, and sports events available at that time

For more information, please visit <http://www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/gajan/pswd.html>

## **COSTS**

All costs will be covered by this program including accommodations, meals, leisure activities, travel and transportation.

## **ACCOMMODATION OF SPECIAL NEEDS**

The special needs of the students will be appropriately accommodated, i.e. chaperones, interpreters and assisting personnel will be provided as needed.

## **DATES AND LOCATION**

Monday – Friday, July 6 – 10, 2009  
North Dakota State University Campus  
Fargo, ND

## **ELIGIBILITY**

All high school juniors, seniors and recent graduates with disabilities of North Dakota are eligible to apply.

## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Along with the application form (on the right), please provide high school transcripts, a statement of tentative career and personal interests, and a letter of recommendation. Please, also provide a short statement of applicant's disabilities & accommodation needs.

## **APPLICATION FORM**

Application due date: May 26, 2009

The number of students admitted to the program is limited.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Grade or graduation year: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) name, if minor:  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Application form and supplementary documents should be sent

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**Selected applicants will be notified by  
June 1, 2009**