

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of Intramural Training and Education; Undergraduate Scholarship Program; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Institutes of Health Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals From Disadvantaged Backgrounds

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Loan Repayment and Scholarship, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on November 6, 2007 and allowed 60 days for public comment. No public comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment. The National Institutes of Health may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond

to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Proposed Collection: Title: National Institutes of Health Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals From Disadvantaged Backgrounds (UGSP). *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a previously approved collection (OMB No. 0925-0438, expiration date December 31, 2007—Extended to February 29, 2008). *Form Numbers:* NIH 2762-1, NIH 2762-2, NIH 2762-3, NIH 2762-4, and NIH 2762-5. *Need and Use of Information Collection:* The NIH makes available scholarship awards to students from disadvantaged backgrounds that are committed to careers in biomedical research. The scholarships pay for tuition and reasonable educational and living expenses up to \$20,000 per academic year at an accredited undergraduate institution. In return, for each year of scholarship support, the recipient is obligated to serve as a full-time paid employee in an NIH research laboratory for 10 consecutive weeks during the months of June through

August and for 1 year after graduation. If the recipient is enrolled in an undergraduate program or pursues a postgraduate degree (doctoral, medical, dental, or veterinarian school), the post-graduation service obligation may be deferred with the approval of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services. The information proposed for collection will be used by the Office of Intramural Training and Education to determine an applicant's eligibility for participation in the UGSP and a participant's eligibility to defer his or her service obligation. The UGSP is authorized by section 487D of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 288-2), as amended by the NIH Revitalization Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 103-43).

Frequency of Response: Initial application and annual renewal application. *Affected Public:* Applicants (high school or undergraduate students), recommenders, undergraduate institution financial aid staff, participants wishing to defer their service obligation, and graduate or undergraduate registrar staff. The annual reporting burden estimates are as follows:

Type of respondent	Estimated number of respondents	Estimated number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total annual burden hours requested
Applicant	300	1.0	3.167	950.10
Recommender	900	1.0	1.000	900.00
Financial Aid Staff	300	1.0	.500	150.00
UGSP Participant	40	1.0	.084	3.36
Registrar	40	1.0	.750	30.00
Totals	1,580	2,033.46

The annualized cost to respondents is estimated at \$40,249.70. There are no capital costs, operating costs, or maintenance costs to report.

Request for Comments: Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information

on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Direct Comments to OMB: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for NIH. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, contact: Darryl M. Murray, Ph.D., Director, Undergraduate Scholarship Program, National Institutes of Health, 2 Center

Drive, Room 2E20 (MSC 0230), Bethesda, Maryland 20892-0230. Dr. Murray can be contacted via e-mail at murrayda@mail.nih.gov or by calling 301-594-2222.

Comments Due Date: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Dated: February 15, 2008.

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