Applicant Information:

Name:

Institution:

Year or Graduation:

Mentor Information:

Name:

Institution:

Department:

Secondary Mentor Name/s:

(Will you have access to a statistician, graduate student, or epidemiologist to help you with your project during the summer? This is particularly important if your mentor may be traveling/away during any portion of the summer.)

Research Project.

1. Approximate dates for your research project:
2. What type of study will you be doing? (E.g.: qualitative study, validation study, prospective cohort study...)
3. Please give us a brief introduction to your research topic (2-3 sentences). (Share with us why it is an important topic.)
4. What is your Research Question? (E.g., "Among US veterans 75 years and older and free of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease at baseline, is statin use associated with a lower risk of mortality?") We understand that your research question may become more focused over time.
5. What data source/s will you use?
6. What roles/responsibilities will you have for the project? (E.g., Will you be responsible for analyzing the data? Will you be a first/second author if the project leads to a research manuscript?)
7. You will have only 8-12 weeks to work on your project. This is a short amount of time.  How do you plan to complete your project during this time?  Please include a rough timeline of your summer.  (E.g., Week 1-2 – Background research, Week 3-4 Data Analysis, etc.…)
8. Will you participate in Research Meetings with your mentor’s research group?
9. Will you be able to shadow clinicians working in geriatric medicine over the summer? (We know this depends on your institutions policies.)

IRB Information:

As there is not much time during the summer to go through the Internal Review Board process for a research project, we ask that you discuss IRB approval with your mentor long before the summer.

1. Is there already IRB approval, or a waiver, for the project?
2. Will IRB approval be needed?
3. Will IRB approval be completed before the summer session starts?