

Jackson Heart Study Undergraduate Training and Education Center SLAM 2018

Students completing 9th, 10th or 11th grade at the present are eligible to apply for SLAM. Applications are due on Friday, March 23, 2018. For additional information, please contact the JHS UTEC office by email (JHSUTE@tougaloo.edu) or phone (601-977-7816).



Science, Language Arts and Mathematics (SLAM) Workshops

SLAM I (for students who will have completed 9th grade by June 2018):
July 5-July 27, 2018

SLAM II (for students who will have completed 10th grade by June 2018):
June 4-June 29, 2018

SLAM III (for students who will have completed 11th grade by June 2018):
June 4-June 29, 2018

Goals of the SLAM Workshops:

- Enhance language arts, mathematics, and science skills
- Improve reading and test taking skills
- Provide details about the Jackson Heart Study
- Educate students about health issues that affect African-Americans
- Provide information about career opportunities in the Health Sciences

Structure of the Workshops:

- There is a \$35.00 fee to reserve your spot upon acceptance.
- Upon successful completion of the program, each participant will receive a stipend.
- All workshop sessions include classes in reading enhancement.
- Classes are taught by experienced teachers.
- Classes are held Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM.
- HOUSING WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.

Selection Criteria:

- Overall grade-point average
- Courses taken
- Standardized test scores
- Recommendation letters
- Quality of essay submitted with application

What is the Jackson Heart Study (JHS)?

The African-American population in Mississippi has the highest mortality rate from cardiovascular disease in the United States. The National Institutes of Health has established this study in Jackson to investigate the factors causing this major health problem. This project, which is the only one of its type in the United States, involves three institutions in Jackson, Mississippi - Tougaloo College, Jackson State University, and the University of Mississippi Medical Center and is funded by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities.

Role of the Jackson Heart Study Undergraduate Training and Education Center

The role of the Jackson Heart Study Undergraduate Training and Education Center (JHS UTEC) at Tougaloo College is to increase the pool of minority students entering health-related professions. A key component of this project is the Science, Language Arts, and Mathematics (SLAM) program for high school students. The SLAM program's goal is to provide a large pool of well-trained high school students who, upon entering college, can successfully complete the curriculum requirements at an undergraduate college and have the necessary background and interest to pursue health careers. Tougaloo College's summer workshops are designed to provide excellent preparation for success in higher studies and to pursue advanced degrees in health professions.

Important Information about this Application

If you participated in SLAM I or SLAM II during the summer of 2017, you do not need to complete this application. You will receive a letter from the JHS UTEC office informing you of your SLAM 2018 participation status.

If you are a new SLAM applicant or are reapplying to SLAM, please read the following information carefully before proceeding with your application:

Please be aware that recommendation forms will not be released to the instructors you list as recommenders until you have submitted this application. Therefore, **you are strongly encouraged to submit your application well before the March 23, 2018, deadline** to ensure that your recommenders have adequate time to complete and submit their recommendation forms before March 23.

The application and recommendation forms will NOT be available after March 23, 2018. SLAM applications without accompanying recommendation letters and transcripts or report cards will not be considered.

Once you have submitted the application, you will have the option to download your completed application. Please save and/or print your completed application and maintain a copy of the application for your records.

JHS UTEC SLAM 2018 Application

The deadline for application submissions is Friday, March 23, 2018.

Personal Information

Have you ever attended the JHS Science, Language Arts, and Mathematics (SLAM) Program?

- Yes
No

If you have previously attended SLAM, what year did you attend?

Applicant's Name

First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____ Suffix _____

Applicant's Gender

- Male
Female

Applicant's Birth Date

Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Applicant's Email Address

Applicant's Home Phone Number

Area Code _____ Phone Number _____

Alternate Phone Number

Area Code _____ Phone Number _____

Applicant's Mailing Address

Street Address _____

Street Address Line 2 _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____

Emergency Contact Information

Parent/Guardian's Name

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Parent/Guardian's Phone Number

Area Code _____ Phone Number _____

Name of Emergency Contact

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Emergency Contact's Phone Number

Area Code _____ Phone Number _____

Educational Background

In which grade are you currently enrolled?

- 9th
10th
11th

Current High School

School Mailing Address

Street Address _____

Street Address Line 2 _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____

Current GPA

What year do you expect to graduate from high school?

Essay

Please upload a **typed** one-page essay that answers the following questions:

1. What are your career goals?
2. How will participating in this program help you achieve those goals?
3. What extracurricular activities are you involved in?
4. How do you keep up with current events?
5. Do you read? If so, what do you read and how often do you read?

Your answers to each of these questions must be indicated with a topic sentence. (ex. "My career goals are....")

Academic Record

Current 10th and 11th graders:

Upload **your high school transcript and your most recent report card** here. These documents must be uploaded as two separate files. Please save your transcript as "Transcript" followed by your first and last name (ex. Transcript Jane Doe) and your report card as "Report Card" followed by your first and last name (ex. Report Card Jane Doe).

Current 9th graders:

Upload **your most recent report card** below. Please save your report card as "Report Card" followed by your first and last name (ex. Report Card Jane Doe).

Recommendation Letters

Math or Science Instructor

Please provide the name and email address of a math or science instructor who will recommend you for the JHS UTEC SLAM Program. This instructor will be provided with the recommendation form once you submit this application.

Name

Prefix _____ First Name _____ Last Name _____

Math or Science Instructor's Email Address

example@example.com

Other Instructor

Please provide the name and email of an instructor who will recommend you for the JHS UTEC SLAM Program. This instructor does not have to be a math or science instructor. This instructor will be provided with the recommendation form once you submit this application.

Name

Prefix _____ First Name _____ Last Name _____

Instructor's Email Address

example@example.com

Application Checklist

By typing my name below, I acknowledge and understand that it is my responsibility, as an applicant to the JHS SLAM Program, to ensure that **all of the required application documents, as listed above in the Application Checklist, are submitted by Friday, March 23, 2018.**

Applicant's Name

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Date