

Peer Research Mentor Instructions: 2013 Summer Research Academy

Assignment #3: Reflection of site visits

Point Value: 5 Points

Purpose:

The purpose of this assignment is to have the Scholars reflect on their learning during the lab tours and site visits. This assignment will also encourage the Scholars to develop an active discussion or dialogue with the graduate student/faculty/researcher conducting the tour or visit.

Objectives:

The main objective of this assignment is for the SRA Scholars to reflect upon their lab tours or site visits by conducting the following tasks:

- Thinking about and writing down two questions they would ask the lab tour or site visit graduate student/faculty/researcher.
- Summarizing the research that occurs in the lab.
- Recognizing what discipline the lab is in.
- Asking at least one of the questions they formulated prior to the site visit.
- Identifying information that they still need to full understand the lab.

For Part I, before the scholars begin their site visits, they should think about two questions they want to ask the graduate student/faculty/researcher conducting site visit. Scholars should feel free to ask these questions during their visit to engage the graduate student/faculty/researcher as well as the rest of his or her group in constructive discussion. Most of the questions in Part II can be answered throughout the presentation, but if any are not answered they can use them as starter questions after the presentation.

This assignment is to be assigned on Thursday night, after Finding a Faculty Mentor.

This assignment is to be turned in to you, the Peer Research Mentor, on Saturday June 15 at 9:30am.

Summary to Scholars:

- For Part I, prior to the start of site visits on Friday, write down two questions you would like to ask the presenter during your visit.
- For Part II, pay attention to the presentations and answer the questions accordingly.
- This assignment is to be turned into your Peer Research Mentor at 9:30am on Saturday.

Assignment #3 Reflection of Site Visits

Due: Saturday, June 15 at 9:30am

SRA Scholar Name: _____

Site Visit Name/Location: _____

Site Visit Graduate Student/Faculty/Researcher Name: _____

Part I.

List two questions to possibly ask during the site visits. (To be done BEFORE the site visits)

1. _____

2. _____

Part II.

Select **one** site visit and answer the questions below. Make sure to **pay attention** to the presentation to answer the majority of these questions and if one is not answered either you or another member of your group can ask that question.

3. Site Visit Name: _____
4. Are there currently undergraduates working with this research group and/ or faculty member?

5. Write a 2-3 sentence description of what type of research this research group does.

6. What is the answer to **one** of your questions from part I? Yes or No answers should be expanded.

7. What is **one** thing you wish you understood better about the research reviewed during this visit?

