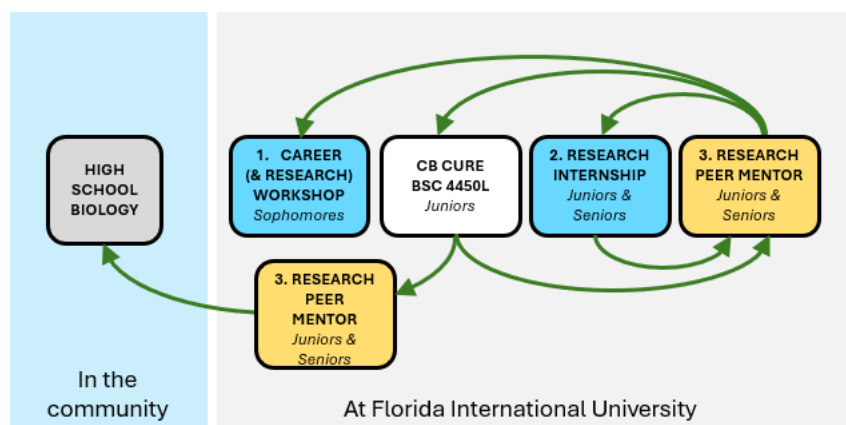




Career & Research Experiences & Skills

bio³ is a collection of NIH-funded opportunities for undergraduate biology students at Florida International University. These opportunities have been designed to increase access to and broaden participation in biomedical research experiences that develop research and transferable skills sought after by the workforce while also guiding students towards developing successful career strategies.



Program overview. For 1, the career workshop, is recommended for Sophomores. The career workshop comes in two versions, one with and one without a research experience. For 2, the research internship and 3, the research peer mentor, you must first complete the upper-level lab course CB CURE (aka Computational Biology of Emerging Infectious Disease, BSC 4450L: 1 cr, pre-req: Genetics or General Biochemistry). As a research peer mentor, you can work on campus with students in the CB CURE or internship. You can also assist high school biology teachers and be a near-peer mentor for their students in bioinformatics and research-oriented classes.

1. The CAREER WORKSHOP

In the 5-day WORKSHOP, you learn strategies and tips for making yourself a competitive applicant to join the workforce or pursue graduate studies.

- The career strategy workshop *with research* is offered during Spring break
- The career strategy workshop *without research* is offered during the break between Spring and Summer semesters

Pre-requisite: None

Recommended for: Sophomores (but all biology students are welcome)

Compensation: \$500

To apply for the next workshop that combines career development & research (Spring break 2026), click [here](#).

To apply for the next workshop for career development (between Spring and Summer 2025), click [here](#).

2. The RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

The RESEARCH INTERNSHIP extends the research experience in the CB CURE from 1 to 2 semesters and is offered in Spring and Fall semesters. It includes:

- Individual research projects
- Conference presentations
- Career development strategies
- Networking opportunities

Pre-requisite: CB CURE (Computational Biology of Emerging Infectious Disease: BSC 4450L)

Recommended for: Juniors and Seniors

Compensation: \$800-\$1000

To apply for Summer or Fall 2025, click [here](#).

3. The RESEARCH PEER MENTOR

PRIMER

As a PRIMER (PeeR Investigators Mentoring Experiences in Research), you will

- be a research- and writing-focused LA-like assistant in the CB CURE, the research internship, and the research focused workshop
- be a leader and mentor for your peers as they engage in research
- opportunities every semester

Pre-requisite: CB CURE (Computational Biology of Emerging Infectious Disease: BSC 4450L)

Recommended for: Juniors and Seniors

Compensation: \$14/h

To sign up for the PRIMER program, click [here](#).

Bioinformatics Ambassador

As a Bioinformatics Ambassador, you will

- assist high school biology teachers as they implement a new bioinformatics curriculum
- help facilitate a research experience for high school biology
- serve as a near-peer mentor to high school biology students

Pre-requisite: CB CURE (Computational Biology of Emerging Infectious Disease: BSC 4450L)

Recommended for: Juniors and Seniors

Compensation: \$14/h

To sign up to become a BA, click [here](#).



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**Must be US citizen or Permanent Resident to
participate.**

Questions? Contact: bio3@fiu.edu

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