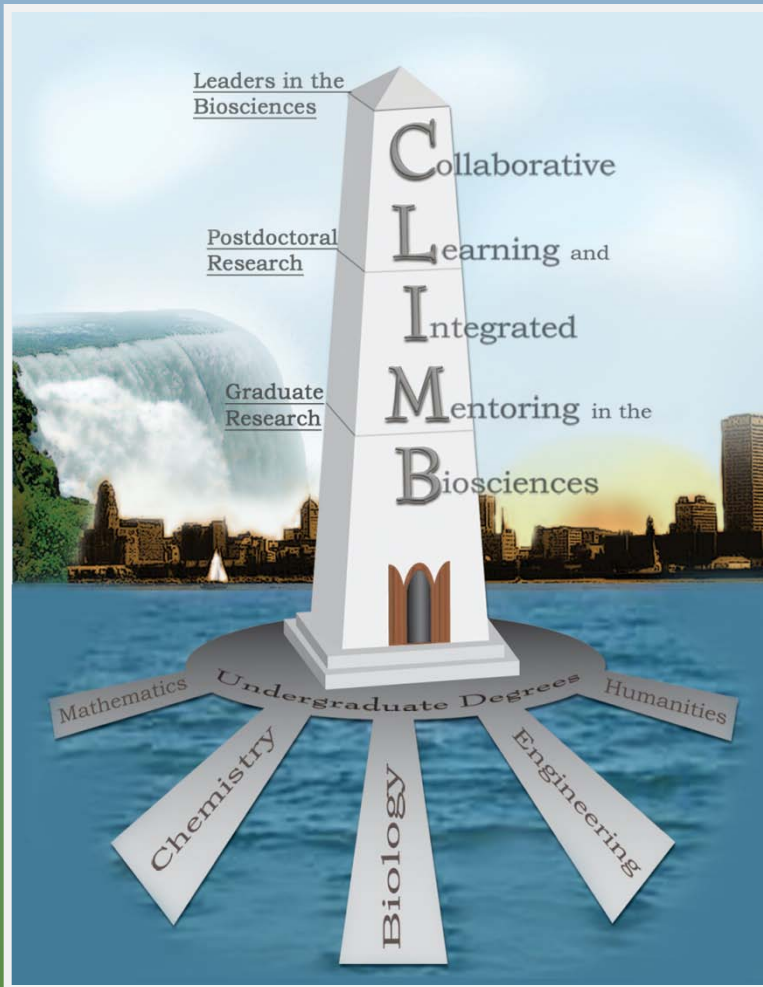


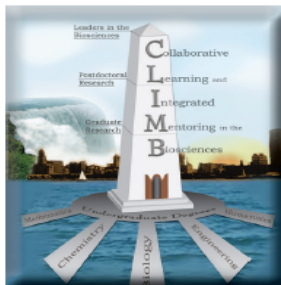
The CLIMB Program at UB

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Program Features

- Individualized Curricula
- Study Groups
- Professional Development Catalyst Series
- Research Communication Workshops
- Personal Mentors
- CLIMB Annual Symposia



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We would like to introduce you to a groundbreaking approach to graduate education and research. The CLIMB Program™ at UB guides a select, diverse group of bioscience PhD students at the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences to develop advanced skills for collaborating, communicating, mentoring, and conducting research across disciplines, and accelerate their professional development through a series of activities that will complement and enhance their coursework.

The goal of The CLIMB Program at UB is to shape you into a successful graduate student and guide you into becoming a top-notch professional scientist, through research activities and peer and academic mentoring. Internationally recognized faculty, as well as successful graduate students, and postdoctoral fellows, are eager to mentor and train you using cutting-edge technology in a broad range of disciplines, including pharmacology, drug discovery, neuroscience, cell and molecular biology, circadian biology, and chemical biology, to name just a few.

Each year, students beginning one of UB's bioscience PhD programs will be recruited into CLIMB. The program is continuous throughout each year of graduate school, including summer laboratory rotations. The cornerstone of the program in the 1st year Fall semester will be weekly 2-hour videoconference sessions held in coordination with The CLIMB Program at Northwestern University (Monday nights, starting in mid-September 2009). Topics on the agenda include:

- How to find a mentor who "fits" you
- Adapting to learning in graduate school
- Assessing your own learning strategies
- Giving excellent research presentations
- Communicating and collaborating effectively
- Seeking social support from your peers
- Reading and developing primary literature
- Building a professional network

The 1st year Spring semester, and subsequent semesters will include research communication workshops on how to develop hypothesis-driven research projects, choose the best lab for you, write outstanding fellowship applications, craft high-impact publications, report your work with confidence at regional, national, and international meetings, and how to network and find the best post-doctoral positions. The CLIMB Program at UB gives you the opportunity not only to learn, but also to apply the essential skills of a professional scientist. CLIMB to the top, and be a competitor for the best fellowship, postdoctoral, and faculty positions around the world.

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