PIBBS (Gateway PhD Access Program – No Degree) Learning Objectives

After completion of this one-year program each candidate will be able to do the following:

1. Have understanding of and solid foundation in the basic biological sciences and recent technological advances
2. This foundation is sufficient to allow the commencement of advanced graduate study and investigation in those fields.
3. Understand the breadth of biomedical research areas under active investigation at the Keck School for Medicine, the USC School of Pharmacy and Children’s Hospital Los Angeles
4. Make a decision, based on experiential learning in the laboratory, about their future area of interest.
5. Have an understanding of the basics of scientific writing, with specific experience in submitting a proposal for federal funding.