

## Beckman Scholars Application Essay Questions

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1. What advanced degree(s) are you interested in seeking and what are your immediate (3-5 year plan) and long-term (~10 years) career plans? Describe the source of your interest or inspiration in conducting research. (Minimum 300 words/Maximum 500 words)
2. What do you feel are the biggest assets you would bring as a research assistant? (Minimum 150 words/Maximum 300 words)
3. Select one of Dr. Beckman's rules for success and explain how the rule does and will apply to you as a developing scientist. (Minimum 150 words/Maximum 300 words)
  - There is no satisfactory substitute for excellence.
  - Absolute integrity in everything.
  - Everything in moderation, including moderation itself.
  - Hire the best people—then get out of their way.
  - Don't be afraid of making mistakes. If you're not making mistakes, you're probably not doing very much.
  - Acquire new knowledge and always ask why.
  - Don't take yourself too seriously
4. Institutions, including higher education, are promoting principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Describe how you will incorporate one or more of these principles into your work as an undergraduate researcher and future scientist. (Minimum 150 words/Maximum 300 words)
5. Select and rank three Beckman Mentors based on their research descriptions and websites, <https://honors.gsu.edu/beckman-scholars-program/>. In addition to the selection committee, these mentors will also review your responses.

Explain why mentor 1 would be a strong fit for your career aspirations. Please take advantage of this essay as an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to use scientific terminology. (Minimum 150 words/Maximum 300 words)

Explain why mentor 2 would be a strong fit for your career aspirations. Please take advantage of this essay as an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to use scientific terminology. (Minimum 150 words/Maximum 300 words)

Explain why mentor 3 would be a strong fit for your career aspirations. Please take advantage of this essay as an opportunity to demonstrate your ability to use scientific terminology. (Minimum 150 words/Maximum 300 words)