

Jorge Pérez de Acha Memorial Summer Camp Scholarship 2021

This scholarship is offered to one student of Hispanic/Latin-American background and covers the cost of tuition (\$650) for our *BioCoding* Summer Camp.



In 2017, Jorge Pérez de Acha joined the DNALC's multimedia department as a Bioinformatics Researcher. Born and raised in Mexico City, Jorge attended a high school of fine arts in Boston, Massachusetts, with the intention of becoming an opera singer. However, a stint in his uncle's tax consulting firm piqued his interest in computer engineering, which he studied at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (where he won 1st place distinction for his thesis "Modelado basado en agentes de la electrofisiología cardiaca humana y su simulación"/ "Modeling based on human cardiac electrophysiology agents and their simulation"). We honor and remember Jorge's work with us, his love of computers, and his love of learning with this scholarship.

To Apply

We invite students with ancestry in Latin America, including Mexico, Central, and South America, to apply by submitting:

1. A 500-word essay describing why they would be interested in learning about biology, coding, and computers in our *BioCoding* course
2. A 200-word or less personal statement about themselves and their interests/hobbies

Please apply by **June 20, 2021**.

Essays and personal statements **must be typed** and can be submitted in English or Spanish. The winning essay will be granted full tuition for the *BioCoding* Summer Camp (week of their choice). Transportation and other expenses are not included. Applicants may wish to book their *BioCoding* reservation to reserve their seat, and if selected as the scholarship recipient, tuition will be refunded.

The winning essay will convey the student's enthusiasm and interest, and hopefully reflect the passion and energy that Jorge brought with him during his time at the Learning Center.

Please email your entry to williams@cshl.edu