

AHA SURE 2025

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[Music]	Purple graphic Text: A.H.A. SURE American Heart Association Supporting Undergraduate Research Experiences
[Dr. Stokes] The A.H.A. SURE program is the American Heart Association Supporting Undergraduate Research Experiences Program.	Students in a conference room listening to a doctor as he explains the anatomy of the heart
The American Heart Association provides enrichments for those students throughout the summer. And we provide the research opportunities as well as some enrichments.	Woman with glasses in a lab coat in front of a microscope in a lab (Dr. Stokes) Text: Karen Stokes, P.H.D. Assistant Director Center for Cardiovascular Diseases and Sciences
This year we have three A.H.A. SURE students.	Pan of posters being presented by the A.H.A Sure students
And they all happen to be from Louisiana.	Young man in red tie explaining his research to an interested listener
[Tonya] My aunt had passed from a heart disorder, and so I became deeply interested in cardiovascular research. And so I found the A.H.A. SURE program, and it felt like a perfect fit.	Young woman with long curly hair, wearing a white lab coat (Tonya) standing in front of a wall of windows Text: Tonya Chaney Senior, Xavier University of Louisiana
I am really enjoying my program. I had the opportunity to be in a biostatistics lab, and it's something I've never really done before. And so I was excited to get out of my comfort zone in this research area.	Tonya seated at a desk as she works with data in a Excel sheet and builds PowerPoint slides
My plans are to go to medical school. And I feel like when you do research, you learn more	Tonya standing in front of her research poster explaining findings to faculty members
than what is just in a textbook. I believe that the SURE program is a really good program to not only do cardiovascular research, but the seminars as well	Shots of other A.H.A. SURE students presenting their research

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are very helpful in preparing you for your future career goals.	Students seated at tables in a classroom being addressed by a faculty member