UNDERGRADUATES PURSUING RESEARCH IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (UPRISE)

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

SUMMER RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNDERGRADUATE students

FOR APPLICATION YEAR: 2024

PROJECT TITLE: <u>Visual-Acoustic Biofeedback for Voice Training: Developing a Web</u> <u>Interface for Therapy Practice</u>

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Project Description

You will be joining a collaborative team of scientists across the disciplines of speech-language pathology, computer science, biomedical engineering, and laryngology, to help develop a web platform that provides visual-acoustic biofeedback for home voice practice. This work is part of on-going internal UC and NIH funded projects to increase access to voice therapy for those who cannot afford or travel to services. Current IRB approvals: 2021-0724; 2022-0250.

Qualifications:

-- Preferred academic background: computer science, biomedical engineering

-- Prerequisite skills: coding experience in JAVA

-- Preferred skills: strong attention to detail, well-organized, works well with others, enthusiasm for using technology for health applications

Knowledge/Skills UPRISE student will acquire:

-- Cross-disciplinary collaboration skills: speech-language pathology, biomedical engineers, physicians (laryngology), web and app-developers (computer scientists, graphic designers)

-- Web development skills

-- Foundational knowledge of voice disorders, exercise science, and biofeedback principles

-- Data ethics and integrity (HIPPAA considerations, CITI training, IRB onboarding steps)