



## *Undergraduates Research Societal Implications of Nanotechnology*

For the 5th year running, in Summer 2010 CNS offered research opportunities for undergraduates from UCSB and community colleges. Interns, with majors ranging from mechanical engineering/math and chemistry to geography to business economics, spent 8 weeks engaging in graduate-level social science research under the guidance of CNS faculty, Postdoctoral Scholars, and Graduate Research Fellows. This internship program provides an entry point into technology in society research for students beginning their higher education, and seeks to foster their continuation along this research path.



2010 CNS Summer Research Internship Program group meeting

Internships are provided in partnership with the CNSI INSET program. In 2011, CNS will be offering additional internships through an added partnership with NNIN.

### Recent research projects

The Geohistory of Nano Policy in the United States

Framing and How it Affects Public Perception of Nanotechnology

Nanotechnology in California

Assessing High-impact Contributions of Foreign-born Scientists to Nanotechnology Innovation

Spatial Analysis of the Early Nanotechnology Community (ongoing)



Interns presented and defended their results to an audience of science and social science academics. Venues included a research poster colloquium and oral presentations at UCSB, invitation to a national conference, and one poster was presented at an international conference in Germany.

For more info on the summer projects visit  
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