

Position: Summer Research Associate (Remote)

Organization: The DeVeber Institute for Bioethics and Social Research

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Duration: Summer 2025 (8 to 12 weeks, flexible hours) Compensation: \$5,000 stipend paid in installments.

About the deVeber Institute:

The deVeber Institute for Bioethics and Social Research conducts and disseminates research on topics related to human life in its biological, social, and ethical dimensions. Grounded in a commitment to the inherent value and dignity of every human person, the Institute approaches emerging medical, technological, and social developments with scholarly rigor and moral clarity. Our work combines academic excellence with accessibility for the general public, bridging the gap between research and public understanding.

Position Overview:

The deVeber Institute is seeking a **Summer Research Associate**—a medical student, medical graduate, or resident—to conduct a focused research project on **chemical (medical) abortions**. This project will involve a comprehensive review and critical analysis of current scientific literature, with attention to clinical outcomes, ethical considerations, and public health implications. The research will culminate in the production of a high-quality, accessible report suitable for publication and public education. We are looking for an individual with experience in research, specifically database searches and scientific inquiries. An ideal candidate is someone with an interest in maternal and prenatal health and well-being.

Key Responsibilities:

- Conduct a comprehensive literature review on chemical abortions, including medical, ethical, and policy dimensions
- Access and critically analyze peer-reviewed clinical studies and health data
- Synthesize complex scientific material into an academically sound and publicly accessible final report (5–10 pages)
- Prepare bi-weekly progress updates for deVeber Institute staff
- A presentation at the Autumn 2025 de Veber Annual Lecture (online or in-person)

Qualifications:

- Graduate or current enrollment in an accredited medical school; residency trainees are welcome to apply
- Strong research, analytical, and academic writing skills

- Experience with medical databases (e.g., PubMed, Cochrane) and scientific literature appraisal
- Ability to work independently with a commitment to deadlines and academic integrity
- Demonstrated interest in bioethics, life issues, or public health policy

To Apply:

Please submit a cover letter, CV, and a writing sample (preferably related to medical, bioethical, or public health research) to bioethics@deveber.org. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Closing date for applications is June 12, 2025.

The deVeber Institute is an equal opportunity employer and strongly encourages applications from all candidates.