Statistics suggest that years after completion of the Ph.D. degree, approximately half of the degree recipients will be employed in academia and half will be employed in companies. While students in academic doctoral programs receive considerable training to prepare them for both career tracks, students develop first-hand knowledge primarily of academic opportunities. To provide an opportunity for students to obtain working experience in a biotechnology company, the Molecular & Cellular Biology Program offers a course where students spend time working at a local biotechnology company.

Over the summer, students will focus on company research rather than their doctoral research. Students will essentially be treated as company researchers and gain first-hand knowledge of what it is like to work in a biotechnology company, learn new techniques, and make valuable connections.

*Students can enroll in the course for the summer after their first year of graduate studies. Thesis Advisor permission required.*