UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
SWANSON SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

PRE-PHD SCHOLARS PROGRAM: APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION JUNE 1 – JULY 31, 2018 (TENTATIVE START/COMPLETE DATES)

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO **SUSSAN YETUNDE OLAORE** IN 129A BENEDUM HALL, PITTSBURGH, PA 15261,

FAX 412 624-5012 BY 5PM WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018, OR E-MAIL TO AGEPADMIN@PITT.EDU .

➢ *ROLLING ADMISSIONS SO EARLY SUBMISSION IS SUGGESTED.* SPACE IS LIMITED.

Please complete this form & submit the following materials:

1. **Prepare THREE 1 page essays to address the following:**
   ➢ **Essay (1) Why you are interested in Pre-PhD Program;**
   ➢ **Essay (2) Choose 2 University of Pittsburgh, Swanson School of Engineering faculty members you would you like to work with for this research project and why? Faculty can be viewed on website at http://www.engr.pitt.edu/. (We cannot guarantee your faculty choice due to summer schedules, but we try to accommodate your choices).**
   ➢ **Essay (3) How will your presence in the program contribute to the diversity of the program and the Swanson School of Engineering?**
2. **Copy of your most recent transcript; and**
3. **Two Letters of Recommendation from faculty members.**

ALL ITEMS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE THE DUE DATE OF WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018, for application to be considered. Any application received without all three essays and materials will not be considered.

Section 1:   STUDENT INFORMATION

Are you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident?   Yes ☐   No ☐

Full Name: _____

Campus/Local Address: _____

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Local/Cell Phone: _____   Home Phone: _____

Email: _____   Major: _____

Current Academic Year: Junior ☐   Senior ☐   Recent graduate ☐

Section 2: PROGRAM PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS
Please answer the following statements. Applications will not be considered if this section is not completed.

I understand that the program runs from June 1, 2018 to July 31, 2018. Yes_____No_____

I understand that I must work a minimum of 30 hours/week on research related activities, and my work hours must be documented & signed by my faculty mentor. Yes_____No_____

I understand that as a Pre-PhD participant, I will also meet with a staff member/faculty/ graduate student regularly to discuss my research . Yes_____No_____

I understand I must attend Pre-PhD workshops as scheduled through the program. Yes_____No_____

I understand that I must participate in the Ethics Forum. Yes_____No_____

I understand that I must complete a journal-quality paper on my research. Yes_____No_____

I understand that I will be expected to present a PowerPoint presentation on my Pre-PhD research to my peers, faculty, and staff. Yes_____No_____

Section 3: STUDENT INTEREST INFORMATION

Rank the following skills according to your strength in it (1 being the highest and 5 being the lowest):

Analytical Skills ☐   Leadership Skills ☐   Problem Solving Skills ☐   Study Skills ☐   Technical Writing ☐

Rank the items according to their influence on your choice of career (1 being the highest and 6 being the lowest):

Curiosity Desire ☐   External Advice ☐   Familiarity ☐ Money ☐   Role Models ☐

Are you interested in graduate education?

Most Definitely ☐   Considering ☐   Not Sure ☐ Very Uncertain ☐ Definitely Not ☐

Do you require housing while Pre PhD is in session? Yes ☐   No ☐

Section 4: RECOMMENDER INFORMATION & STUDENT SIGNATURE

The following professor has written my letter of recommendation. _____

Please __PRINT__ the name of the faculty member

The signed letter of recommendation is attached to this application. Yes ☐   No ☐

My unofficial transcript is attached to this application. Yes ☐   No ☐

I verify that all of the information included above is accurate and correct.

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Student Signature *Date*