Summer 2013
Program Guidelines for Participants

Program Dates  June 3 - August 9, 2013

Purpose
The purpose of this REU program is to involve outstanding students who have completed their sophomore year and are interested in pursuing graduate studies. We anticipate these students will make a contribution to on-going faculty research and, more importantly, gain an appreciation for and an interest in a research career.

Funding
Stipend will be $5,000, in installments, to support the student for ten weeks. The program will also:
1) Pay tuition and fees for one credit hour of a required independent study/research;
2) Provide housing or a housing allowance, subject to limitations; and
3) Provide up to $400 for travel expenses for out of state participants.

Applicant Eligibility
1) Have an interest in and a desire to actively participate in on-going research projects.
2) Have a minimum 3.25 cumulative GPA.
3) Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
4) Major in engineering or related science or math curriculum (e.g., physics, chemistry, etc.) with an interest in materials-related research.
5) Have completed sophomore year (at least 60 hours) by the end of Spring 2013.
6) Plan to graduate no sooner than December 2013.

Participant Requirements and Expectations
1) Students selected for the REU program may not be enrolled in additional courses during the entire 10-week summer period, other than the required independent study/research course.
2) Attendance is mandatory at all REU-sponsored events including the final poster session.
3) Students are expected to commit at least 40 hours/week.
   • Includes research hours worked determined by the research mentor.
   • Includes mandatory REU activities.
4) Deliverables:
   • Research plan
   • Progress report
   • Abstract
   • Final paper
   • Poster presentation
Application Packet Requirements
1) Completed application
2) Personal Statement (minimum 500 words) describing:
   • Why do you want to participate in the REU program?
   • What is your objective in participating in the REU program? What do you hope to gain?
   • Describe any previous or current research experience.
   • Describe your research area(s) of interest within your field.
3) Transcript
   • Must be sent via postal mail or dropped off at the address below. **DO NOT send official transcripts to the TAMU Admissions Office.** Have your school send if accepted.

Deadline
• **February 28th,** by 5:00 pm CST
• Complete application packets must be received by deadline. Application materials received after this deadline will not be considered.

Contact Information
• Send application materials to:
  Summer 2013 REU
  Attn: Dr. Kristi Shryock
  3141 TAMU
  WERC 236
  College Station, TX 77843-3141

• For questions, contact:
  Dr. Jacques C. Richard
  richard@tamu.edu
  Phone: 979-845-3916
  Fax: 979-845-6051
REU APPLICATION – Summer 2013
(please print clearly or type information)

Last Name                                    First Name                              Middle Initial     TAMU UIN # (if applicable) (Not SS Number)

Email Address

U.S. Citizen or permanent resident?  □ Yes  □ No  (if No, what country of origin? _______________________________

Gender:  □ Male    □ Female

Ethnicity:  □ White    □ Black    □ Hispanic    □ Asian/Pacific Islander
□ American Indian/Alaskan Native    □ Other ____________________________

Current Address

Permanent Address

City, State, Zip

City, State, Zip

(_____) _____________________________________  (_____) _____________________________________

Phone

Phone

Name of school you currently attend: ____________________________________________________________

Expected graduation date:  □ Spring    □ Summer    □ Fall    Year: __________

Cumulative GPA:  __________  Number of hours completed (by end of Spring 2013): __________

Major GPA:  __________  Classification:  □ Sophomore    □ Junior    □ Senior

Have you participated in research or a research program before?  □ Yes*  □ No  *If yes, please describe in your personal statement.

Currently, what are your plans upon graduation?
□ Graduate School    □ Professional School (e.g. medical, law)    □ Join workforce    □ Other____________________________________

Have you completed a GRE prep course before?  □ Yes    □ No

Name of preferred faculty mentor** ______________________________________  Department ______________________

**Approval required from faculty mentor via brief acknowledgement email to kristis@tamu.edu.
**This is optional for non-TAMU students but required for all current TAMU students.

To be considered, your application packet must be received no later than February 28, 2013, 5:00 pm CST.

By signing below, I hereby certify the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge, and I have read and understand the program guidelines for participants.

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Applicant Signature  Date