Undergraduate Mentoring in Environmental Biology (UMEB)
Applications Now Being Accepted!

All interested UIUC undergraduates are invited to apply for research opportunities in the Undergraduate Mentoring in Environmental Biology (UMEB) program. This program is a joint project of the University of Illinois Program in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (PEEB) and the National Science Foundation. This year’s program will run from June 4 – August 6, 2005.

Freshmen, sophomores and juniors at UIUC with all levels of past research experience (including none) are invited to apply by completing the attached form and mailing it to the PEEB Office (286 Morrill Hall). This program is open to all undergraduates on the Urbana-Champaign campus interested in environmental biology, regardless of major. The program begins in Summer 2005. The application deadline is February 18, 2005. Minority students are particularly encouraged to apply.

The Basics of the Program

- Students will work 40 hours/week on research and career development activities during a nine-week summer program based on the Urbana campus OR at field sites of supervising faculty
- PEEB faculty will serve as research mentors (see webpage for list)
- End-of-summer poster session for presentation of student research
- $3500 summer stipend plus on-campus housing provided
- Students receive academic credit for Summer Session II
- Opportunity to apply for extra funds to travel to field sites

Additional Information

The major selection criterion will be enthusiasm for environmental research. The program will be small (16 students) and flexible in design to accommodate field research schedules. Students may apply to the program with a PEEB faculty mentor in mind (if this is the case, please state this information in the essay portion of your application) or be matched with an appropriate mentor with guidance from the UMEB staff.

This program is co-directed by Drs. Jeff Brawn and Evan DeLucia, who will be assisted by PEEB graduate students Maggie Prater and Dylan Maddox.

Please visit the UMEB webpage for more details and contact information.

http://www.life.uiuc.edu/ib/umeb