

Special Opportunity for MCB Students Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship at Mayo Clinic

http://www.mayo.edu/mgs/surf.html

The Mayo Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program, sponsored by Mayo Graduate School, is a great way to build your skills as a young scientist or test your inclinations toward research. The program gives you more than just work experience in a lab. As a SURF fellow you will:

- Conduct your own small research project or work on part of an ongoing research investigation for 10 weeks
- Develop your technical skills
- Participate in a special weekly seminar series that introduces you to rapidly progressing research areas

Eligibility

You can apply for the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program if you:

- Are a university student currently in your sophomore or junior year
- Have a grade point average of at least 3.0 (4.0 scale)
- Are seriously considering a biomedical research career as a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D.

International students who are attending a U.S. college or university are eligible to apply.

How to Apply

To apply to the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program, you need to submit the following to Tina Knox in 252 Davenport or via email at tmknox@illlinois.edu by the January 4, 2012 at 12 PM deadline.

- A 1-2 page description of your career goals and the steps you have already taken to achieve those goals
- A current transcript (unofficial from Enterprise is fine)
- Two letters of recommendation from research mentors or undergraduate teachers
- Once pre-approved by Ms. Knox your application will be forwarded to the campus committee. If chosen as a UIUC candidate you will complete an online application no later than February 1, 2012.

Stipend and Benefits

The Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program award is \$5000 (minus taxes) for 10 weeks. From this stipend, students are responsible for their own travel, housing and meals. Most students live together in a convenient summer student housing area which costs about \$175/week.