

Summer Program for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) Orientation

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

Welcome!

- Introductions
 - Name
 - Institution
 - Where are you from?
 - Major
 - Year in school
 - What are you looking forward to this summer?
- Small group icebreaker

OUR Mission

...to facilitate and promote undergraduate student-faculty collaborative research and creative works in all disciplines throughout the University of Utah campus.

Program Expectations - Students

- Spend 35-40 hours per week on research and program-related activities
- Attend required program events (bi-weekly meetings, URES events, grad school mini-expo)
- Submit to OUR Journal
- Present at Summer Symposium
- Complete final report

Attendance Policy

- If you know you will not be able to attend something, tell Megan immediately so alternative arrangements may be made!
- Please be on time to all events.
- Generally, you can miss up to 2 URES events and 1 bi-weekly meeting.
- After three missed events, you'll need to meet with Megan and pay may be deducted from your stipend if too much time is missed.

Program Expectations - Faculty

- Provide students with hands-on research experience
- Clearly discuss expectations with the student at the beginning of the program
- Be honest and straightforward with the student about their work
- Ensure the student receives proper certification/training
- Support the student in completing all aspects of the program
- Participate in program activities to the extent the mentor's schedule allows: SPUR Opening Reception, Summer Symposium, SPUR Closing Reception

Contact Information

- SPUR contacts
- OUR contacts
 - Staff
 - Undergraduate Research Leaders

Mentor-Mentee Agreements

- Establish expectations at beginning of experience
- Think of what you hope to get out of the experience
- You do not need to fill out this form, but you can use it as a conversation guide

Program Calendar

- Required events
- Optional events
- Interaction with other programs
 - Chemistry, HCI PathMakers, NARI, Physics & Astronomy
- Put events in your calendar (or however you keep track of these things)

Campus Resources

- Campus map: map.utah.edu
- UTA (public transit)
- Library
- Computer labs
- Union
- Bookstore
- Campus shuttles: <http://www.uofubus.com/>

Life in Utah

- Outdoor adventures
- Summer activities in SLC
- Things unique to the U

Housing

- Welcome letter
- Take note of contact numbers
- No alcohol is allowed, even if you are 21

Hiring/Payroll

- Stipend information
 - Paid on June 7 & 22, July 6 & 20, August 7
- Payroll direct deposit
- Travel reimbursements direct deposit

<https://our.utah.edu/spur/resources/>

What's Next?

- Today: Ucards/tour
- Tomorrow: SPUR Opening Reception
- Various: hiring appointments
- June 6 Bi-Weekly Meeting
 - Prepare "Elevator Sentences"