



OFFICE OF ENGAGED LEARNING

SUMMER RESEARCH INTENSIVE

This program will provide...

Funding to faculty to support high-level research productivity and scholarly/creative endeavors.

Match funding for undergraduate research assistants

For students: specialized training in data science, research methods, oral and written presentation techniques, and other professional development skills, and a rich cohort experience.

*This Summer On The
Hilltop 2022*



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Program Timeline
Subject to minor adjustments

February 15
Application Opens

April 3
Applications Due

April 16
Acceptances Announced

Feb 15-May 22
Student Jobs Posted
Faculty Determine Hires

May 21
Summer Work Window Opens
for Student Work

June 1
SRI Workshops Begin in
Partnership with SMU
Libraries and Moody School of
Graduate and Advanced
Studies

Aug 12
Final work day

August 15
Summer Fellows Nominations
Due

August 15
Student and Faculty SRI
Reflections Due

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**A NEW UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FROM
THE OFFICE OF ENGAGED LEARNING**

FAQs

Building on Last Summer's Success

- In the 2021 pilot, 42 students supported the work of 27 faculty members. By the end of August, their work culminated in 8 grant proposals, 7 abstract submissions, and 2 peer-reviewed papers—as well as substantial progress toward proposals and publications. Students created brief oral presentations and optional reports as well.

We will provide MATCH funding

- 50% of hourly wage, at 30 hours per week (up to \$2000)
- For up to 30 students (maximum 2 per faculty member)
- Suggested wage: \$10-15 per hour (faculty contribution: \$5-7.50)

How do faculty apply to this new Summer Research Intensive?

- Faculty submit a brief application detailing their current research and creative project(s), along with specific duties and objectives for the students
- Once accepted, faculty recruit up to 2 students for their project and the Summer Research Intensive (SRI). The Office of Engaged Learning will assist faculty in advertising student jobs as well as implementation for summer REU.
- Students must be enrolled in classes for Spring 2022 and Fall 2022 (students graduating in the spring of 2022 are not eligible).
- Faculty from all schools and all ranks are welcome to apply.

How will faculty be selected?

- Faculty indicate funding source to be matched (e.g. grant, start-up funding, school/department, any matching funds) with a quality proposal
- Faculty/staff demonstrate how the SRI will be a meaningful, guided experience for students with a tangible outcome (e.g. abstract, IRB application, manuscript, conference presentation, or creative output)
- Faculty are committed to summer SRI program values and expectations for their students (see below)

Priorities

- Proposal resonates with SMU's goals for excellence in research & scholarly/creative work
- Proposals with clear objective and tangible outcome (see above)
- Faculty who hire under-represented students, including those designated as first-generation or Federal Work Study

What are the program's values and expectations for faculty and students?

Value for Faculty

- Match funds for students to assist with research
- Provost recognition for developing future scholars
- Training for student assistants by graduate students, SMU Libraries, and Office of Engaged Learning
- Support for co-publishing; uninterrupted time for writing manuscripts and grant writing

Faculty Expectations

- Mentor student research
- Deliverable in the form of a manuscript, presentation, or grant submission
- Presentation during summer or academic year at event hosted by Center for Teaching Excellence and Office of Engaged Learning (or other SMU organization)

Value for Students

- Substantial time to gain experience in research
- \$10-15/hour
- specialized training for students in research methods, oral and written presentation techniques, and other professional development skills.

Student Expectations

- Complete all professional work hours
- Attend and participate in weekly Summer Research Intensive, which includes faculty presentations and practical workshops on research methods, oral and written presentation techniques, and other professional development skills.
- Complete 3 reflection surveys
- Optional and with Faculty Approval:
 - Compete for Summer Research Fellowship and Award by completing a research report
 - Submit a research report to the Journal for Undergraduate Research

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