



Bradley University/National Science Foundation

Research Experiences for Undergraduates

"Integrated Ecology"

Application for 2009 Summer Research Fellowship

Application Deadline: March 2, 2009

Return completed form and supporting materials to:

Summer REU Coordinator

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Questions?

Contact Dustin.

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Submission via email, postal service, or fax is accepted. All materials must arrive on or before March 2, 2009.

Successful applicants will be notified on or before April 3, 2009. Program runs June 8 – August 14, 2009.

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Eligibility Requirements:

- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Returning to an approved undergraduate institution in the fall
- Declared or intended major in a biological field
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 (4.0 scale) and college courses in biology and chemistry

Applicants not meeting the eligibility criteria will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Application Checklist:

- Four page application form
- Personal statement
- List of relevant coursework
- Two letters of recommendation. Letters should be emailed directly from recommenders to the program coordinator. (Dustin: dherrmann@bradley.edu)

No transcript necessary for the application. An official transcript will be required upon acceptance to the program.

Non-electronic submission steps:

- Print and complete the four page form below.
- Mail or fax the form, your personal statement and list of courses to the address/fax number provided on the previous page.
- Email confirmation of application will be sent to you upon its receipt.

Student Information

Name: _____

College: _____ Exp. Yr. of Graduation: _____

College Type: 2 YR 4 YR

Are undergraduate research opportunities available on your campus? Yes No

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Campus Address:

Home Address (if different from above):

Current Academic Grade Point Average (4.0 scale): _____

Class Year: Freshman Sophomore Junior

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Are you a United States citizen or Permanent Resident (Green Card)? Yes No

Personal Statement:

Provide relevant information in essay format in a separate, typed document. This statement should be organized into the three following sections. Limit each section to 200 words or less.

Section 1. Personal History. This should include academic preparation (relevant coursework and research experience outside of normal class work). Also, include extracurricular activities and honor societies.

Section 2. Statement of Purpose. Explain your interest in the program (e.g., Why are you interested in research? What do you expect to gain from this experience?). Include any specific research interests.

Section 3. Future Interests or Goals. What are your career goals? Are you considering graduate school?

References:

Two letters of recommendation are required. At least one should be able to comment on your academic abilities in college. Provide the name, email, and telephone number of your letter writers here.

1. _____

2. _____

Research approaches:

Rank the two areas that most interest you in the following list, 1 (higher) and 2 (lower).

- _____ Molecular Biology (microorganisms and/or plant)
- _____ Physiology (plant and/or animal)
- _____ Organismal
- _____ Community and Ecosystem

Coursework:

List all courses completed or in progress that are relevant to ecological research (i.e., biological sciences, chemistry, geology, natural resources, etc.). Include department, course number, course name, credit hours, and grade received. This should be a typed document.

Name: _____

Demographic information

The following is reported to the NSF. Completion of this page is voluntary.

Gender:

- Female
- Male

Ethnicity and Racial Background:

The Office of Management & Budget (OMB), an executive office of the President of the United States of America, sets the race standards for all governmental forms. For our reporting to the National Science Foundation, you may check the following Ethnic Group and Race, following the minimum categories established in the 1997 OMB Standard for Federal Data. Please note that nationalities and ethnicities are not races.

Ethnic Group:

Hispanic and/or Latino: A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

- Yes
- No

Race (Choose more than one, if applicable):

- American Indian or Alaska Native:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand and Vietnam.
- Black or African American:** A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian of Other Pacific Islander:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- White:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Disabilities or Special Needs:

Do you have any disabilities or special needs? (Handicap access, diet restrictions, etc.)

- No Yes, please explain: _____

Waiver Form for Letters of Recommendation

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and its amendments guarantee students access to education records concerning them. Students are also permitted to waive their rights of access to recommendations.

Applicant: Fill in and sign the following statements regarding your recommendations.

Applicant's Full Name: _____

Recommendation 1:

Recommender's Full Name: _____

- () I do waive my right to inspect the contents of this recommendation.
- () I do not waive my right to inspect the contents of this recommendation.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Recommendation 2:

Recommender's Full Name: _____

- () I do waive my right to inspect the contents of this recommendation.
- () I do not waive my right to inspect the contents of this recommendation.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____