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Please share this excellent research experience opportunity with undergraduate students

Best,
Ryan

NIST – Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF)

Pitt Internal Deadline:	February 5, 2017
NIST Proposal Deadline:	February 15, 2017

The National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) is a program for students majoring in biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, materials science, mathematics, nanoscale science, neutron research, and/or physics. Note that applications for participation in the SURF program are only accepted from colleges and universities, and not from individual students. Each college or university prepares a single proposal that includes a portion completed by an institutional representative and a set of materials provided by each student applicant.

NIST consists of seven laboratories: Center for Nanoscale Science and Technology (CNST), Communications Technology Laboratory (CTL), Engineering (EL), Information Technology (ITL), Material Measurement (MML), Center for Neutron Research (NCNR), Physical Measurement (PML). All seven of the NIST laboratories participate in the SURF program. Students are encouraged to visit <http://www.nist.gov/laboratories.cfm> to learn about the multi-disciplinary nature of each laboratory.

Students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents that are currently registered in a scientific program at the time of the application. Students must commit to eleven continuous weeks (Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.) of participation in the program. It is recommended that applicants have a G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher and be considering a graduate degree (M.S. or Ph.D).

Because of the internal coordination of applications and to also allow enough time for submission preparation(s), interested applicants should submit the following information to the University's internal funding competition portal, [Competition Space](https://upitt.infoready4.com/) (<https://upitt.infoready4.com/>):

1) A student application form (*accessible at the portal*), **2) a resume**, **3) a personal statement (including statement of research interests)**, **4) two letters of recommendation**, **5) transcripts (unofficial copies acceptable)** **6) verification of U.S. citizenship or permanent residence** (*e.g. copy of birth certificate, passport, or permanent resident card*).

Any questions regarding this opportunity may be directed to Ryan Champagne at rkc12@pitt.edu.

Further program details and application materials may be found at: <https://upitt.infoready4.com/>

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