

College of Science and Mathematics
Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Award

Call for Proposals for Summer 2018

Application deadline: April 14, 2018

Program: Thanks to the generosity of a donor, the College of Science and Mathematics (COSM) is starting a new student award called the COSM REU award. This \$3,500 award will be made to one promising COSM student in order to provide financial support to spend a minimum of eight weeks in the summer working on a research project with a faculty member.

Eligibility: All declared COSM majors with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 at the time of application are eligible.

Application Guidelines: Please email as a single pdf or Word file to cosm@westga.edu by April 9, 2018. Applications will be reviewed and awards recommended by the COSM Advisory Committee to the Dean. Decisions will be made by April 21, 2018.

- (1) Cover sheet (please see below)
- (2) Project proposal **not exceeding a single page** addressing
 - a. the research project to be undertaken,
 - b. the goals to be achieved during the summer,
 - c. how this award enhances the student's career goals (maximum 5 lines).
- (3) Curriculum vitae **not exceeding two pages**, listing courses/experiences taken that are relevant to the proposed project.

Conditions:

- (1) Student must complete the project before August 1, 2018 to be recognized for the award. A stipend of \$1,750 will be awarded halfway and at the end of the project. The second part of the award will be made after the student turns in a (minimum) two-page report, endorsed by the faculty advisor, on work carried out during the summer; the report is due by August 1, 2018.
- (2) A student is ineligible if they receive other university research support funds directly or indirectly (e.g., FRG, SRAP, ...) during the same summer.
- (3) The student is expected to work substantially on the project.
- (4) A faculty advisor needs to agree to supervise the research project. A stipend of \$1,000 will be provided to the faculty after the endorsed student report is turned in.
- (5) Funds for supplies (up to \$500) must be spent by June 30, 2018.

COSM REU AWARD PROPOSAL (2018)

COVER SHEET

NAME _____ **917** _____ **Major** _____

Class Year _____ **Current GPA** _____

Project Title _____

Proposed start date _____ **Proposed end date** _____

This award requires the recipient to work at least 8 weeks full-time with a faculty advisor on a research project to be described on the following page. The recipient cannot concurrently receive other stipend or salary for the same work performed under other university programs such as Faculty Research Grant, LSAMP, ... The two semi-awards of \$1,750 each will be made after faculty advisor endorsement, and the submission of a final report, no later than August 1, 2018, for the second semi-award. Funds for supplies (up to \$500) must be spent by June 30, 2018.

Signature of the Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Endorsement from the Faculty Advisor: I agree to supervise the above student and research project for at least eight weeks during the summer.

Signature of the Faculty: _____ **Date:** _____

Semi-award: I recommend awarding the first semi-award.

Signature of the Faculty: _____ **Date:** _____

Final semi-award: I have reviewed the final report and recommend awarding the second semi-award.

Signature of the Faculty: _____ **Date:** _____

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Final Report – COSM REU award 2018

Student Name:

Date:

Project title:

Faculty advisor endorsement:

Please provide a typed (minimum) two-page report for a lay audience below.