

National Science Foundation Research Experience (REU)

Western Kentucky University seeks talented science students to participate in its summer National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program in investigative biotechnology. We hope that you will encourage interested students to apply. Our preference is for rising juniors and seniors (younger students with research experience will be considered), who have completed core courses in the science curriculum at their home institutions and have demonstrated a curiosity and passion for science. We especially encourage applications from students who are members of groups underrepresented in graduate education in the biological sciences.

Thirteen faculty members in Biology, Chemistry, and Mathematics and Computer Science will serve as mentors to accepted students. These students will gain much. Academically, students will be trained in research techniques, participate in exciting research (students can choose from over nineteen projects), and gain valuable presentation skills. Additionally, students will benefit from a series of workshops exploring ethics and preparing students to apply for and succeed in graduate school. Practically, students will receive a stipend of \$480 per week, free housing, meal and travel allowances, and lab supplies.

Students can find more information and application instructions at <http://www.wku.edu/biotechreu>. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, February 4, 2011. If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact Dr. Shivendra Sahi (shivendra.sahi@wku.edu), Dr. Rodney King (rodney.king@wku.edu), or myself (audra.jennings@wku.edu).

Best wishes,
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