UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Office of Graduate Studies and Research
Co-op and Fellowship Programs
Georgia Institute of Technology

A paid internship, URIP supports outstanding rising juniors and seniors at Georgia Tech who plan to pursue doctoral work AND plan to apply for the National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship and/or similar fellowships. Because of the focus of the program, students must be U.S citizens or permanent residents AND students must be conducting research in fields supported by the NSF graduate fellowship – for example: computing, engineering, math, natural sciences, social sciences, urban planning, history of science, archaeology, and others.

The student applicant needs to identify a faculty sponsor. Intern applicants must be nominated by the School Chair or the Undergraduate Coordinator (as indicated by a signature on the application).

This competitive internship can be held for one or two semesters (choice of Summer, Fall, and/or Spring) – current pay equals $1000 per semester (Summer--$800). Interns will spend six to eight hours per week on the project. Students must find research mentors and apply by writing a short research proposal. Applications available annually mid-February on http://www.grad.gatech.edu/prepare/index.html. Due date for applications: April 3, 2003. Approximately 20-30 students are supported per academic year.

In addition to their research work with faculty, under this internship program, students meet once a semester as a group to discuss their research. At these meetings, students also receive advice on how to put together competitive fellowship (and graduate school) applications. Students will also be required to submit an abstract of work accomplished for each semester of funding.

Some preference will be given to applicants who expect to complete the undergraduate degree during the year following the internship (i.e., in 2004-2005). However, rising seniors who expect to graduate at the end of the internship year (i.e., in 2003-2004) will also be considered.

A major part of the nomination for an internship will be a proposed research plan for the student. The research plan should be jointly developed by the student and faculty/doctoral student mentor and over the course of the internship should show increased involvement of the undergraduate in the mentor’s research. The student should feel that he/she has contributed to a project that leads to a research publication, proposal or report. The research plan should clearly delineate the student’s planned involvement/contributions to the research and should not be just a description of the mentor’s research program.

Additional application forms are available on the Graduate Studies website <http://www.grad.gatech.edu/prepare/index.html>

For more information about the application process or how to identify a faculty mentor, contact:
Dr. Amanda Gable, amanda.gable@grad.gatech.edu, 404-894-0014
Deadline for application: April 3, 2003
Submit Applications to Dr. Amanda Gable, Office of Graduate Studies, Mail Code 0265, Savant Bldg. Room 307.
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(Application must be typed)

Student Name: ______________________________ E-mail address: _________________
P. O. Box: ______________ Local Phone: _______________ Student Id#: _________________
US citizen?: _____ or Permanent Resident ?:_____ Class: _______________________
Expected Graduation Date: _________________ Major: ____________________ G.P.A: _______
Optional demographic information: Race: ____________________ Sex: __________

Circle Choice of Semester and Year: (maximum of 2)
SUMMER 2003   FALL 2003   SPRING 2004  ____________
(10 wks/$800)   (16 wks/$1000)  (16 wks/$1000)  fill in blank
(16 wks/$1000)

Mentor’s name: ________________________ School: _______________________
Mentor is faculty member?: _______________ or Ph.D. Student?: _______________

Complete only if mentor is Ph.D. student:
Date Ph.D. studies began: ___________ Date Ph.D. degree expected: ___________
Thesis Advisor: _________________ Ph.D. Support: GRA ___ GTA ___ Fellowship __ Other

Approval of Ph.D. student’s advisor to participate:
___________________________________   ___________
Signature        Date

** The following must be attached to this application:
A. Georgia Tech student transcript (unofficial copy)
B. Statement of student interest in graduate work at Ph.D. level
C. Proposed research plan for the student (maximum of 2 pages) signed by the student and mentor.
** Optional
D. A letter of support may be submitted by the student's faculty mentor

Signature of Student Nominee School Date
Signature of Faculty Mentor School Date
Signature of Chair OR Undergraduate Coordinator School Date

This nomination form with all attachments should be submitted by April 3, 2003 to:

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