

Tandon Undergraduate Summer Research Program

Frequently Asked Questions

When will I find out if I have been accepted into the program?

There is no exact date that you will receive acceptance as the faculty members and their research staff are the ones that select the participants. Different research projects have different selection processes and as such, some faculty might take longer than others to make their decisions. For instance some faculty choose straight from the applications they receive while others hold formal interview processes. There will be rolling admittance notification from the beginning of March through May.

What about housing?

The program does not provide housing nor housing stipends. All students are eligible to apply for summer on-campus housing online (<https://www.nyu.edu/summer/housing/>), however. It is recommended that you apply for housing even before you receive your acceptance decision. Once a housing decision is received, you should have received your program decision as well. Afterwards, you will be able to decide whether to make a housing deposit or not. Students can also look into [off-campus housing](#) instead of living on-campus.

Does the program pay? How much?

The Undergraduate Summer Research Program consists of many different moving parts, programs, and people. In this regard, people are compensated in different ways:

Thompson-Bartlett Fellows

The Thompson-Bartlett Fellowship is awarded to ten exceptional female student participants from NYU Tandon or NYU CAS/Tandon 3+2. There is no additional application for this Fellowship. These students will receive \$16.00USD/hour. Note that these wages are taxable.

Honors Program Fellows

The Honors Program Fellowship is awarded to Honors Program student participants from NYU Tandon or NYU CAS/Tandon 3+2. There is no additional application for this Fellowship. These students will receive \$16.00USD/hour. Note that these wages are taxable.

NYU Tandon, NYU Shanghai, & NYU CAS/Tandon 3+2

If you applied to this program through the official Summer Research Program application and are not selected as a TB Fellow or and Honors Fellow, you will receive hourly compensation for 35 hours/week for the full ten weeks of this

program. Payment for SU18 is \$15.00USD/hour. Note that these wages are taxable.

NYU Abu Dhabi

If you are an NYU Abu Dhabi student, you can receive funding up to \$4,000USD from NYUAD for the full 10-week program. Make sure to apply for the grant prior to the mid March deadline. Contact Farhana Goha in this regard.

Non-NYU Students

If you are not an NYU student, you should have applied for the program through the Summer Research Program for College Juniors. The funding for this program is sponsored through the Tandon Graduate Center. Please contact them in this regard.

Volunteers

Some students don't get selected to participate in the program through the application on a paid basis and choose to volunteer with faculty over the summer. Those students will work as volunteers and not receive monetary compensation for their work.

I'm an international student from NYUAD or NYU Shanghai. What do I do about an i-20?

You should contact the international office at your respective campus and they will guide you through the process. You are also welcomed to contact the Office of Global Services here in NY through their online contact form or via telephone 212.998.4720 if you have questions, however.

What is the work schedule like?

Research mentors are in charge of determining work schedules for program participants. You are required to be available to work full-time (up to 35 hours a week). Some of this work might be able to be done in labs, classrooms, conference rooms, or libraries on-campus or at home via your computer (depending upon the subject area that you are doing research in and the stage in which your research project is at). This is set by your research mentors. Please contact them upon selection for more details.

What else does the program require?

Aside from the actual research, you must attend the events put forth in the official Summer Research Program calendar. This calendar is sent to all participants at the beginning of the program and gone over in detail during the Program Orientation. Students are also required to submit an abstract for the Abstract Booklet (published after the program finishes), create a research poster, as well as participate in poster sessions and/or presentation sessions. Failure to attend

seminars or submit required work will result in reduction of pay, suspension, or expulsion from the program.

How long is the program? Can I miss any days?

The official program runs for ten weeks from the beginning of June to the middle of August. If you need to miss any research, you must inform your research mentor(s) to get permission and if you need to miss any events, you must inform the program coordinator within the Office of Undergraduate Academics (uga.engineering@nyu.edu).

Can I take a summer course while doing research?

It is expected for you to work full time with your research mentors during the ten weeks of the program. In this regard, you cannot take classes if they conflict with your research schedule. Different research mentors need students at different times so it might be a possibility for you to shift your schedule in order to complete a course so long as it does not conflict and if your research mentor allows it. Correspond with them in this regard prior to enrolling in the course.

Who should I contact with questions?

With any questions about the research projects or the research schedule, please contact your research mentor. If you have questions about the program in general or the mandatory events, you should contact the Office of Undergraduate Academics (uga.engineering@nyu.edu).