SUMMER 2016
Undergraduate Research in
Switchgrass Ecology & Genetics

Switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*) is emerging as an important biofuel candidate in the United States. Our labs collectively study the ecology, genetics/genomics, physiology and agronomy/plant breeding of Switchgrass. We are seeking a talented and diverse group of undergraduate students interested in conducting research in Switchgrass biology across the US.

Program description
- 8-10 week internship at one of several universities located across the US, beginning the 1st week of June
- $4500 stipend + housing and food allowance
- Research will focus on Switchgrass ecology, physiology, genetics, and agronomy
- Projects will largely consist of field, wet lab, or greenhouse work
- A poster or powerpoint must be presented at the end of the program

Who should apply
- Undergraduates in their 2nd or 3rd year
- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident

How to apply
- Applications should contain a cover letter describing any relevant experience and motivation for joining our research group, two reference letters, a copy of your transcript, and are due February 19th 2016
- Please send all applications and direct any questions to Dr. Brandon Campitelli via email: brandon.campitelli@utexas.edu

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