



## General Information

The University of Missouri is home to more than 33,000 students and 2,000 faculty. We are in the middle of a state that's in the middle of the country seeking the farthest reaches of what is possible. Our diverse and thriving campus is nestled in the heart of downtown Columbia serving all walks of life. The perfect blend of small town and flourishing city, Columbia is consistently rated among the top places to live in the nation. This is where opposite ideas attract, grand challenges are explored every day, and where rigorous study meets the real world.

**All programs run May 27 - July 26 with travel days on May 27th and July 26th (9 weeks).**

Students live in on-campus air-conditioned housing (double rooms) valued at \$1,500, and receive a meal plan valued at \$1,100 paid by the program. The Interpersonal Relationships Program also provides one credit hour of research, travel to and from Columbia, and a stipend of \$5400 (minus taxes.)

Coordinated by the MU Office of Undergraduate Research, the **Undergraduate Research Internship Program** hosts 100+ students from institutions across the nation. Interns in the program participate in **educational and social activities** creating a vibrant, inclusive, and welcoming summer community. Under the guidance of an MU faculty mentor, students work on their own projects in collaboration with graduate students, lab technicians, and post-doctoral researchers and will showcase their results at a **poster Forum on July 24th.**



## MU and Columbia Communities

The MU Office of Undergraduate Research, and therefore the Summer Research Internship Program, is committed to fostering **an inclusive community of researchers**, free from discrimination and harassment as defined in MU's Student Standard of Conduct and Human Resources policy. As visiting students on the MU campus, participants in the Summer Research Internship Program join current MU students, faculty, and staff in holding the following values as the foundation of our identity as a community: **Excellence, Respect, Responsibility, and Discovery.** Upon this, we strive to build a comprehensive, engaging learning experience for all persons involved in this program.



Visit the  
program  
website!



<https://tinyurl.com/NSFREUIterpersonal>



This REU site will take advantage of the collaborative and interactive research environment fostered by the Family and Relationships Research Network of Missouri (FARR-net) at MU. Each undergraduate will be mentored by a primary FARR-net-affiliated faculty member from the departments of Communication, Human Development & Family Sciences, or Psychological Sciences, to design a project related to one or more primary close relationships (i.e., parent-child, sibling, friends, romantic/marital partners) from a developmentally-informed perspective.

Students should expect to work 40 hours per week in their lab, attend mandatory weekly meetings, and join in various professional development activities.

Additional questions may be directed to **Dr. Nicole Campione-Barr** (campionebarrn@umsystem.edu)

## Students will receive:

- Stipend of \$5,400 (minus taxes)
- On-Campus Housing (dorm room, two students per room) valued at \$1,500
- Meal Plan, valued at \$1,100
- Research travel funds to present at a professional academic conference with summer mentor in the year following participation
- Participants will receive a graduate application fee waiver if they choose to apply to a graduate degree program at MU.
- Travel to/from Columbia, Missouri  
*(Please see website for details and expense limitations)*

## Educational Programming

As part of the program, students participate in a full series of evening and small group seminars designed to provide information about research, career preparation and options, and scientific ethics. Weekly small group seminars provide opportunities for students to focus on a topic and engage in discussion with peers and faculty.

**Mandatory orientation sessions will be held May 28th & 30th. Program runs May 28-July 25.**



## Faculty Mentors

Students should list up to 3 faculty with whom they are interested in working on their application. For a list of the mentors, visit the program website.

## Application Information

**The deadline to apply is February 16, 2025.**

Students must complete the application and provide: an unofficial transcript (including Fall 2024 grades); letter of recommendation; a CV or resume; and the application asks for two written statements regarding future educational career goals and research interest match with potential mentors.

## Eligibility

Undergraduate students who will be sophomores, juniors, or seniors in Fall 2025 with interests in close relationships research and graduate study in any relevant social and behavioral science degree program from across the

U.S. are eligible for the program.

Students graduating before December 2025 are not eligible. Students must be **citizens or permanent residents of the U.S.**