SUMMER RESEARCH APPRENTICE PROGRAM (SRAP)
APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 31st, 2021, at 5PM MST
Sponsored by the
University of Wyoming EPSCoR Programs

PURPOSE: SRAP provides qualified participant with a meaningful, hands-on experience in science, mathematics, statistics, and/or engineering research. The ultimate goal of SRAP is to stimulate interest in one of these fields for a college major and ultimately as a career choice. Ethnic, racial, gender minority, and first generation college bound students (whose parents did not complete a four-year undergraduate degree) are especially encouraged to apply. Funding for the program is provided through Wyoming NSF EPSCoR.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must have completed their sophomore year in high school by the start of the summer program, and/or be a current junior or senior in high school at the time of application. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Priority will be given to Wyoming residence as well as students who self-identify as African American/Black, Hispanic/Chicano(a)/Latino(a) or Mexican American, Native American, Alaska Native, and/or who are first generation college-bound students and/or women are encouraged to apply. Nationally, these ethnic, racial and gender minority groups have been identified as underrepresented in the sciences. This is an academically competitive program; therefore, socioeconomic factors are of secondary consideration. All applicants must be able to complete the entire online program from start to finish.

USE OF FUNDS: Each participant is paid at a rate of $8.00 per hour, not to exceed $1,920 (minus appropriate taxes) for the 6-week online program (June 13th – July 22nd, 2021). Participants will be assigned to a University of Wyoming research scientist for the six weeks. Faculty will work with SRAP participants on various aspects of microbial communities that thrive within your home and community landscapes. Participants will engage in: field work, data analysis in the comfort of their own home, project design, computational science, and data science. It is recommended that participants do not hold a second job while participating in SRAP. If participants do not complete the program to its entirety, the pay will decrease.

Wyoming EPSCoR provides salary and at home science kits only.

TRAVEL: Participants must provide their own transportation for sample collection. This will be discussed in detail if you are selected as a SRAP participant.

DEADLINE: All materials must be received by March 31st, 2021 no later than 5 PM MST - no exceptions!

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GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

1. Participants must be enrolled in high school at the time of application.

2. All participants must have a sincere interest in pursuing studies/careers in the areas of general sciences, mathematics, statistics, and/or engineering. SRAP does not have a medical aspect. Parents should be fully supportive of this interest.

3. Participants must complete and submit the online application, email official transcripts, two (2) letters of recommendation, and Participant/Parent Signature Form by **February 26th, 2020 by 5PM MST**. Incomplete, illegible and/or late applications or materials will not be considered.

4. Participants must provide their own means of transportation to and from the sample sites. For specific questions, contact program coordinator.

5. Participants must report promptly to their assigned meeting times. Each participant must adhere to the guidelines and directions of her or his particular research position, research supervisor, and the SRAP Program Coordinator.

6. Participants must submit a written research report, poster, and presentation at the end of the summer program after following a timeline for drafts (deadlines will be provided) for the paper’s preparation.

7. Participants cannot hold a second job, participate in another summer program, or take classes during the duration of SRAP.

8. SRAP is a well-respected program at the University of Wyoming and in order to uphold the integrity of the program, it is required that all participants act in a mature and responsible manner towards staff, fellow participants, and all others.

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