

Barnard College Summer Research Institute

Supporting **BARNARD STUDENTS** with funded STEM research opportunities in NYC and beyond in summer 2020



What is the Summer Research Institute (SRI)?

The SRI is a 10-week program for Barnard students who want to conduct scientific research during the summer. Students work directly with a mentor at Barnard College, Columbia University, or other institutions. The SRI provides a common experience for students, providing additional training and opportunities to build skills, along with faculty lectures, alumnae panel discussions, social events, and more. The summer concludes with a capstone Poster Session, where students present the progress of their research.



How do I find a research mentor?

To participate in SRI, students must identify a research mentor in whose lab they will work over the summer. It is each student's responsibility to contact faculty, discuss the possibility of working in their lab, and secure confirmation of faculty interest. Each academic department at Barnard makes decisions about student participation in SRI. If your research mentor is not a Barnard faculty member, you will also need to identify an internal mentor (i.e., a Barnard science faculty member). Each department has specific instructions on how to participate in their labs, which you can find at barnard.edu/summer-research-institute.

If you have questions about how to identify a faculty mentor, please contact the SRI faculty representative in your department.



How Will I Receive Funding for My Research?

In 2020, students selected to participate in SRI will receive a stipend of \$5,250 for their research. Funding is provided by grants, external faculty mentors, alumnae donors, the Office of the Provost, and others. Students interested in working in an external lab must ask whether their mentor can provide partial or full funding. PLEASE NOTE: SRI aims to fund as many students as possible, but funding is not guaranteed until you receive formal notice of your acceptance to SRI. All candidates for SRI will receive a decision in April. Please direct questions about funding to the Barnard faculty representative in your department.

While there may be *some* variability in the timeline of your payments, 2020 student participants in SRI will generally receive a stipend of \$5,250 (before taxes). Please note that the *net* amount of your stipend – that is, minus taxes – will vary from student to student. Students pay for housing out of their stipend. Work with Beyond Barnard to fill out your payroll paperwork to make sure you understand the process.



How Will I Get Access to Housing?

All students selected to participate in SRI have access to subsidized on-campus housing. If you require on-campus housing during SRI, you must complete the necessary housing application process in mid-April. Details about rates and deadlines are typically posted in Spring Semester to help you make decisions. Information will be found on Residential Life's website and the deadlines are very strict.

All questions about SRI can be directed to your department faculty representative or sri@barnard.edu.



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