



Undergraduate Research Fellows (URF) in Materials Science and Engineering

The Undergraduate Research Fellows Program in Materials Science and Engineering was created to provide an opportunity for undergraduate students to pursue research experiences by conducting experiments with leading scientists and engineers in Materials Science and Engineering. Under the guidance of the fellow's research advisor, the fellow will experience the process of research from proposal to presentation.

The program is designed specifically for undergraduate students from 1st-year to 3rd-year standing, with emphasis given to students with no prior MATSE undergraduate research experience. Upon acceptance to the program, the Undergraduate Research Fellows and their advisors will meet to discuss responsibilities and requirements of the program.

If selected, financial support will be awarded to both the student and their advisor. The program begins immediately after announcement of fellowship award and all fellows are required to present their URF research at the department's spring poster competition, typically held at the end of the spring semester. Financial awards to fellows will be provided early in the spring semester provided the faculty advisor agrees the fellow has been making satisfactory progress in their research.

Responsibilities and Criteria:

- Completed application with research abstract and research advisor's signature
- Weekly availability for research (5-10 hours/week minimum)
- Semester standing of 01-07 (freshmen to juniors)
- GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Present research at Spring Poster Competition

IMPORTANT DATES

September 7, 2023 - Applications Open
September 22, 2023 - Deadline for application submission
September 26, 2023 - Announcement of accepted URFs
Approx. March 1, 2024 - Posters on URF research due
for department poster competition

