

## **Call for Applications: 2012 National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program in Cell and Molecular Visualization at Brandeis University**

**Grantor:** Brandeis University

**Closes:** 2/15/2012

**Maximum:** \$5,000.00

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Brandeis University seeks qualified applicants for an NSF-funded Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program in the Biological Sciences for a 10-week period (May 30 - August 3, 2012). Stipends of \$5,000, plus housing costs and meal allowances will be awarded to each participant. Participants must be US citizens or permanent residents and should have completed their sophomore or junior year of study and be enrolled in an accredited undergraduate college or university. We especially welcome applications from students of under-represented groups in science, or who come from economically-disadvantaged backgrounds (for example, first-generation college students), or who come from academic institutions with limited resources for research, or who are students with disabilities (ie. a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities).

Selected students will be matched with a faculty researcher, from over 50 in the biological sciences, who will mentor the student through an independent research project using modern cell and molecular visualization techniques.

Students will participate in weekly lunch seminars, which will include faculty research presentations, ethics discussions and professional development activities such as panel discussion with students and postdoctoral fellows from the Greater Boston area concerning careers in medicine, biotechnology and research. Students will develop a written synopsis of their summer work, with feedback and editing, and they will participate in a capstone symposium including poster presentations.

Applications and all supporting materials are due February 15, 2012.

Please apply online. In addition to completing the online form, you must send each of the following to Jessica Maryott ([jmaryott@brandeis.edu](mailto:jmaryott@brandeis.edu)):

A complete transcript, including fall semester grades of the current year.

Recommendation letters from two faculty members.

A waiver form for recommendations. Please complete the form, sign, and (ideally) scan and email it to [jmaryott@brandeis.edu](mailto:jmaryott@brandeis.edu).

Please send the transcript, recommendation letters and waiver form to Jessica Maryott ([jmaryott@brandeis.edu](mailto:jmaryott@brandeis.edu)) via email

if possible. If these documents can not be digitalized, you may send them to Jessica Maryott, Brandeis University, 415 South St. MS 008; Waltham, MA 02454.

ALL of the above and this application must be RECEIVED by February 15th, 2012. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered. Please plan accordingly.

If you have any problems with this form, questions about the application process or want confirmation that your application is complete, please contact Jessica by email ( [jmaryott@brandeis.edu](mailto:jmaryott@brandeis.edu)) or telephone (781-736-3100).

Additional information may be found at the website <http://www.bio.brandeis.edu>, including faculty research interests and potential projects.

**Link:** <http://www.bio.brandeis.edu/undergrad/summerResearch/index.html>