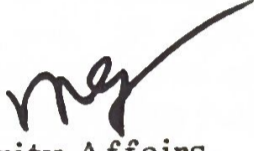


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April 27, 1988

TO: Faculty Mentors

FROM: Marilyn B. Gordon 
Coordinator for Minority Affairs
170 Rackham Building

RE: Summer Research Opportunity Program Awardees

You will be pleased to learn, I am sure, that the undergraduate with whom you agreed to work this summer has been chosen as one of 55 participants in the Summer Research Opportunity Program. The guidelines for this program are enclosed along with a copy of the student's notification letter. The official dates of the program are June 26, 1988 through August 26, 1988. You and your student can modify this time span as needed. Funding, however, can only be processed after July 1.

Associate Dean James S. Jackson and I wish to thank you on behalf of the graduate school for your willingness to participate. The mentors are the key to SROP's success. Any suggestions from you in the course of this summer's program will be appreciated. Please note on your calendar the student/faculty lunch on July 7 and the concluding symposium on September 25—official letters of invitation will follow. Mentors interested in participating in the July 22-25 conference at Indiana should contact me.

The scope, quality, and variety of the proposed projects promise an exciting third SROP summer. If you have further questions, just call me (764-9478).



SUMMER RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM - 1988
The University of Michigan
GUIDELINES

The Summer Research Opportunity Program provides American minority junior and sophomore students on the CIC campuses with the opportunity to develop and explore, in collaboration with a faculty mentor, a research area related to their interests. This collaboration is intended to introduce students to the nature of graduate study, scholarly activity, and research careers. Following are the basic guidelines for this program:

Students may participate in an on-going project or develop with a mentor an independent research project. On a project, the student should have responsibility for an individualized area of research; in an independent project, the mentor should participate fully in the design, implementation, and evaluation of the research.

The program time span should be approximately two months, usually July and August. Students are expected to reside in the Ann Arbor/Ypsi area; they should not hold substantial outside employment or enroll for courses during this time. Requests for exceptions to these conditions will be evaluated on an individual basis.

Students will receive a stipend of \$2,000 to be paid in two installments during July and August. From this stipend, participants are expected to meet their own living expenses.

Students are expected to devote themselves full-time to the research for the equivalent of eight weeks. Mentor and student are expected to meet regularly, on the average of 2-3 times weekly at least, during the project.

There will be an introductory lunch on July 7, another gathering in August, and a concluding symposium on September 25. The Lilly Foundation will pay each participant's expenses to a weekend conference in July at which the SROP students from all CIC campuses will gather. Students are expected to attend SROP group activities.

Students will be expected to prepare a research report or other appropriate documentation of their work. At the concluding symposium, results of the student research experience will be presented.

If it is needed, up to \$1,000 is available for the expenses of each research project. The faculty mentor should request these funds in writing from the Office of Minority Affairs, 170 Rackham Bldg.

Minority undergraduates who have attained sophomore status or who have at least two terms of enrollment remaining to complete a bachelor's degree after winter term, 1988, are eligible to apply. Deadline for applications is March 15, 1988.

SROP is sponsored by the H. H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies with matching funding from the Kellogg, Lilly, and Mellon foundations. For further information or clarification, contact Marilyn Gordon, Coordinator for Minority Affairs, 170 Rackham Building, 764-9478.

April 22, 1988

Dear Student:

Congratulations! You have been chosen as a participant in the Summer Research Opportunity Program. Enclosed is an acceptance form. Please mail back the acceptance form in the enclosed postpaid envelope **immediately** or drop it at my office. Your mentor will also receive a notification letter, but you should contact him or her as well.

The official dates of the program are June 26, 1988 through August 26, 1988. You and your mentor can modify this time span for the work as needed. However, your stipend checks will still be paid during the scheduled time. It is your responsibility to set up a working schedule with your mentor and to keep in contact with her or him.

Here are the scheduled group events: A get-acquainted party (some time during the week of June 26); a lunch for students and mentors on Thursday, July 7; the big, all-expense-paid weekend conference for all SROP participants from all the CIC universities (July 22-24 at Indiana University); workshop and supper on August 18; the concluding symposium, Sunday, September 25. The party is optional. All other events are part of the SROP program (contact me now if you foresee scheduling problems).

Phone me any time (764-9478) or stop in at my office if you have questions. Again, congratulations. The scope, variety, and quality of your proposed projects promise a productive and exciting program.

Sincerely,

Marilyn B. Gordon, Coordinator
Graduate Office of Minority Affairs
170 Rackham