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| **MnDRIVE / LS-NSSA****Undergraduate Summer Research Internship****\*\*\*Deadline for Faculty Expressions-of-Interest:  December 1, 2021\*\*\*** Dear Faculty,Are you interested in hosting a fully-funded undergraduate research intern this summer (June 6 – July 28, 2022)? The [Louis Stokes North Star STEM Alliance](https://umn.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ce560f7cf0fc45d5ec62efe65&id=1766defdde&e=af0c3ac165) and [MnDRIVE](https://umn.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ce560f7cf0fc45d5ec62efe65&id=9a93448585&e=af0c3ac165) have partnered to fund undergraduate summer research internships for students from groups underrepresented in science.  The funding will support interns to work on research relevant to the MnDRIVE areas: Brain Conditions, Environment, Global Food Ventures, Cancer Clinical Trials or Robotics.[**Program Description**](https://umn.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ce560f7cf0fc45d5ec62efe65&id=c201e0cf5c&e=af0c3ac165)MnDRIVE Environment and the Louis Stokes North Star STEM Alliance match undergraduate research interns with UMN faculty mentors and their lab teams for a summer of research. Each intern will have the freedom to choose their summer research project from the list of approved projects that participating faculty submit from the five MnDRIVE research areas. Scholars that are matched with a faculty mentor and then immerse themselves in the 8-week long research internship. Project presentations during the final week of the internship will be given by the scholars and faculty mentors (and lab groups) are expected to attend.Interested Faculty - indicate your interest in hosting a fully-funded summer intern NOWIf you are interested in hosting a summer research student, please click on the survey link below to submit your expression of interest by December 1st:**The brief** [Expression-of-Interest survey](https://umn.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ce560f7cf0fc45d5ec62efe65&id=4993070dad&e=af0c3ac165) **will ask you for the following:*** Your information (first and last name, department, email).
* A short description (3-5 sentences) of the research an undergraduate summer intern can expect to engage with in your laboratory (the description can be general, or if you have a specific summer project in mind, you can describe that).
* A brief description (2-5 sentences) of the research knowledge and skills a summer intern will acquire while in your laboratory for the summer.
* Your MnDRIVE area (Brain Conditions/Neuromodulation, Environment/Remediation, Global Food Ventures, Cancer Clinical Trials, or Robotics), and a brief statement (2-4 sentences) of how the research relates the MnDRIVE area.

We will share approved research internship projects with student applicants as part of the application process. **Program Timeline:**December 1, 2021:  Deadline for faculty to submit "expression of interest form" that outlines research project  January 10, 2022: Faculty participation and project approvalsMarch 31, 2022 - Match process begins - faculty will receive student materials and may reach out to those they think would be a good fit for their projects/laboratories to establish an appropriate match.April 15, 2022:  Match process closes and matches finalize  June 2, 2022: Internship kick-off/luncheonJune 6, 2022 - July 29, 2022:  Internship periodJuly 28, 2022: Research Symposium  |

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