

Research and Internship Opportunities Summer 2025

The benefits of doing research and internships, according to students:

- Explore a topic of interest in depth
- Develop skills: problem-solving, creative, project management, teamwork, communication
- Get hands-on experience
- Get to know faculty better
- Study outside your major and interact with students across majors
- Build unique expertise attractive to future employers



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For more information on 99-520: Collaborative Research Through Projects, 99-409: Undergraduate Summer Research, or 99-412: Undergraduate Summer Internships, contact [Korryn Mozisek](#) or [Janelle Miles](#)

There are a variety of summer financial aid options available to undergraduates, including the Tartan Summer Grant program. Learn more at the [Student Financial Aid Services website](#).

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RESEARCH

Small Undergraduate Research Grants (SURG)

The SURG program offers grants for materials and supplies to undergraduates at Carnegie Mellon for research in any field of study. For summer 2025 and fall 2025 grants, the student proposal *deadline is* **Mar. 19** with faculty letter of recommendation *due* **Mar. 24**. More information can be found on the [SURG website](#).

Summer Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship (SURA)

99-270 (3, 6, 9, or 12 units, tuition free)

Complete a research apprenticeship with a faculty member in any field of study, including artistic/creative inquiry, and engage in professional development programming offered by the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholar Development. *Deadline: May 9*. Application Information can be found on [the SURA website](#).

Collaborative Research Through Projects

99-520 (6 or 9 units, tuition-free)

These collaborative research courses aim to provide students with the opportunity to engage in cohort-based research endeavors that makes a contribution to an area of research, field, or topic. Most courses have limited prerequisites. Students can review the listing of courses on [this website](#) as well as learn how to enroll. *Preferred deadline: Mar. 28; Final enrollment deadline: May 2*.

Undergraduate Summer Research

99-409 (1 unit, tuition free)

This course allows undergraduate students from all fields to participate in research (including artistic/creative inquiry) under the direction of a CMU faculty member. Students should have previously participated in summer research via the Summer Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship (SURA) and/or the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) before enrolling. Two forms are required prior to enrollment – [one from the student](#) and [one from the advising faculty member](#). *Deadline: May 9*

INTERNSHIPS

Undergraduate Summer Internship

99-412 (1 unit, tuition free)

Available to undergraduate students whose internship sites require credit bearing enrollment for eligibility. The internship is for elective credit only and must be unpaid. This is not eligible for CPT. Two forms are required prior to enrollment – [one from the student](#) and [one from the employer](#). *Deadline: May 9*

Summer Internship Experience Fund (SIEF)

The SIEF is available to current undergraduate students who have secured an off-campus, low paying or unpaid internship located in the United States. This needs-based grant aims to help offset expenses incurred during internships. Students can submit applications beginning February 1. Completed applications (students have met with their consultant AND submitted an application) will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis until all funding has been awarded. The **final deadline** for SIEF application submissions is **May 2**. More Information can be found on the [SIEF website](#) with questions directed to Career and Professional Development Center.

The Peter C. Dozzi Pittsburgh Internship Initiative (Dozzi)

This fund is open to current undergraduates who have secured a low-paying or unpaid summer internship within the Pittsburgh region. The application opens on February 1 and applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The **final deadline** for applications is **May 2**. More information can be found on the [Dozzi website](#) with questions directed to Career and Professional Development Center.

Department-Based Internship Course

Contact your academic advisor in your primary major department for more information on this option. A note for international students: Department-based courses can be used for Curricular Practical Training (CPT). These units are charged at the university's per unit cost.

Unpaid Internship Course Tuition Support Program

Any CMU graduate or undergraduate student with a verified, unpaid summer internship and enrolled in a companion, 3 unit, departmental internship or practicum course is eligible to apply for funding to offset a portion of the tuition cost of that course. Applications will be reviewed and accepted on a first come, first served basis up to the capacity of available funding. Tuition support is contingent upon completion of the approved unpaid internship and course requirements. This program will provide 1 free unit of credit. Applications can be submitted using [this form](#). *Deadline: June 1*.