

## ***ROCHESTER, NY***

Located on the southern shore of Lake Ontario in the Finger Lakes area of Upstate New York and home of the Lilac festival, Rochester is a stimulating and progressive metropolitan community of more than one million people, representing the third largest urban area in New York State. The School of Medicine and Dentistry itself and our students offer some of the best entertainment in the area. Rochester consistently ranks as a premier American city.



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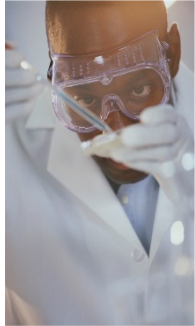
## **Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program (SURF)**

SURF is an educational program at the Center for Advocacy, Community Health, Education, and Diversity (CACHED)

<https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/education/md/undergraduate-programs.aspx>

## Program Description

The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry (URSMD) is committed to enhancing the preparation of candidates for careers in the health professions, research and the biomedical sciences who have a demonstrated vision and commitment to improving the health status of diverse patient populations via patient care, research and/or teaching.



As a part of institutional commitment to support of the AAMC's efforts to increase diversity in medicine, the URSMD supports the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program (SURF). SURF is a ten-week academic program designed to strengthen the science, clinical, and research skills of selected college students to enhance their competitiveness for careers in medicine and the biomedical sciences. SURF

participants are selected from a national pool of candidates who have a demonstrated vision and commitment to improving the health status of diverse patient populations via patient care, research and/or teaching.

Program participants conduct focused research in a medical center laboratory under the mentorship of faculty. The program includes seminars and activities, which allow for formal and informal discussions. Students are also exposed to weekly lectures/seminars, gross anatomy lectures and labs, clinical rotations in the Emergency Department, Problem-Based Learning sessions to enhance their critical thinking and problem-solving skills, MCAT review/testing and mock interviews.

## Stipend

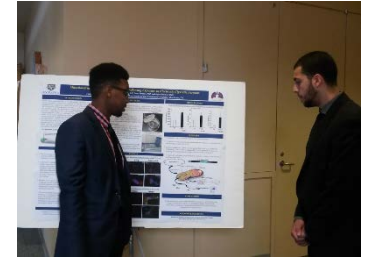
Students are given a stipend, which is distributed during the program to cover personal expenses. University housing is provided at no cost for the entire duration of the program.

## Program Eligibility

Applicants must have had an introduction to their scientific field of interest and completed at least two years of college.

The program selection criteria for students' includes:

- Legal residence within the United States or citizenship
- A completed and signed application
- Résumé or Curriculum Vitae
- Official Transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation (two from science professors)
- A one page personal statement detailing your interest in the program and any research, clinical science related experiences



## Application

The online application for this program is available in October of each year. Rising junior and senior undergraduate college students are encouraged to apply.

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