

Welcome to Washington State University

Congratulations! You are among 59 outstanding undergraduate students from across the country and around the world participating in research programs at Washington State University this summer. While each department and laboratory is responsible for managing its own student researchers, many program-wide activities are coordinated by the Office of Undergraduate Research, a program of the Office of Undergraduate Education at WSU. We look forward to following your progress and interacting with you during your time in Pullman!

--Shelley Pressley, Ph.D.
Director, Office of Undergraduate Research

SUMMER 204 RESEARCH PROGRAMS AT WSU

From May 29 - Aug. 1, 2014, eight undergraduate research programs are underway on our campus. Support for them comes from the Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program of the National Science Foundation (NSF), the U.S.D.A., and faculty-secured grants. This summer's programs at WSU include...

- Characterization of Advanced Materials (reu-mse-mme-wsu.edu)
- Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance(NARA)/Biofuels (hubzero.cee.wsu.edu)
- Plant Genomics and Biotechnology (genomics.wsu.edu/world-class-research-team/research-experience-for-undergraduates-reu/)
- Atmospheric Chemistry and Climate Change: Measurements and Modeling in the Pacific Northwest (lar.wsu.edu/ugrad_reu.html)
- Materials Under Extreme Conditions (shock.wsu.edu/sure)
- Harnessing Plant Metabolism for Society (cahnrs-cms.wsu.edu/ibs/pages/default.aspx)
- Multi-Scale Engineering (reu.mme.wsu.edu)
- New-Generation Power-efficient Computer Systems Design



YOUR WELCOME PACKET

Beyond your research team activities on campus, you will also get to enjoy our region of the Inland Northwest, called "The Palouse." For your convenience, we have gathered informational guides about the city of Pullman, a map of the WSU campus, shopping locations, and bus routes. Enjoy exploring!

HOUSING

Summer researchers living in near-campus housing coordinated by the research programs will be in one of two locations, which are conveniently located within walking distance of campus, restaurants, and bus routes:

For all housing issues, contact the listed person.

- Phi Kappa Theta fraternity, 400 NE Colorado St., contact:
Jamion Botch 206.940.9160
- Sigma Nu fraternity, 640 NE Campus St., contact:
Eric David 509.554.6966 and Mark Kehret 509.947-2404

HOUSING RESIDENTS, we ask that you please be respectful of the facilities, and note: (1) [The fraternity houses are non-smoking and no alcohol is allowed on the premises.](#) In the past some students have been evicted for failing to comply with this rule. Additionally (2), residents are responsible for all damage beyond normal wear and tear. And, (3) it is strongly recommended that residents follow typical safety precautions, such as keeping personal possessions locked in their rooms to deter thieves.

FIRST-DAY (May 29): WELCOME MEETING and SCHEDULE

Plan to attend welcome meetings for your REU or program, according to information from your faculty mentor. Many summer programs join to host a welcome meeting (casual attire, please) on Thursday, May 29 at 9 a.m. in the Smith Center for Undergraduate Education. At the meeting you will be introduced to the faculty and your program.

Following the meeting, your mentors will take you to mid campus to get your Cougar Card (WSU I.D. card). You'll use it to ride Pullman Transit (the bus system) and at the Student Recreation Center.

[Join us on Facebook! Our group is called WSU-REU-2014](#)

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

[All Emergency Services: 911](#)

WSU Police Services 509.332.2521

Pullman Police Dept. 509.332.2521

Pullman Fire Dept. 509.332.8127

Pullman Regional Hospital 509.332.2541

Whitman County Sheriff 509.397.6266

IMPORTANT DATES

May 29, 2014 First-day welcome meeting for summer undergraduate researchers, all are welcome.

Aug. 1, 2014 Poster session for all summer undergraduate researchers.

[Stay tuned for additional events, meetings, and workshops that will be scheduled throughout the summer!](#)