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The Summer Research Initiative (SRI) was created in 1999 by the Office of the Dean in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSOS). The program has a special emphasis on population groups underrepresented in the behavioral, social and economic science fields (i.e., African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders).

The goals of the initiative are to:

1. Increase the knowledge of, and interest in, doctoral-level training in the social, behavioral, and economic sciences;

2. Provide rising juniors and seniors an opportunity to learn about graduate studies and the range of research and scholarship in the social, behavioral, and economic sciences at the University of Maryland, College Park;

3. Provide a laboratory experience that enhances basic research knowledge and skills;

4. Provide lectures, workshops, didactic exchanges, etc., to enhance students’ knowledge of the graduate application process, negotiating the academic rigors and professional and personal challenges encountered in graduate school, and developing career paths in social, behavioral, and economic science; and

5. Provide mentoring and networking opportunities for students to advance their training in the social, behavior, and economic sciences.

In 2020 the program will bring students to the University of Maryland, College Park campus for eight weeks. Participants will work side-by-side with a faculty mentor on a guided research project, attend weekly seminars and visit local research institutions in the Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia area. Finally, students will present their work at a poster session at the end of the program.

**Program duration:** June 1 - July 24, 2020  
**Application Deadline:** February 10, 2020  
**Status Notification:** Approximately April, 2020  
**Stipend:** $3,150 (before taxes—includes stipend and meal allowance)  
**Housing:** Paid for by the program. Scholars are housed in a dormitory styled fraternity house. Scholars are roomed with another SRI scholar.  
**Travel:** Flights and ground transportation to and from the airport are provided  
**Meals:** Dinner is provided Monday—Friday

All students who will be rising juniors or seniors in Fall 2020 are eligible for the Summer Research Initiative. The University of Maryland has a strong institutional commitment to the principle of diversity. In that spirit, we are very interested in receiving applications from a broad spectrum of individuals, specifically African American, Hispanic, and American Indian students. Applicants must also meet ALL of the following requirements:

1. Be citizens or permanent residents of the United States;
2. Be enrolled full-time at an accredited four-year higher education institution and obtain junior or senior status in the Fall 2020-21 academic year;
3. Demonstrate an interest in pursuing graduate study in one of the behavioral, social or economic sciences;
4. Will have taken a basic statistics or research methodology course; and
5. Possess an excellent academic record including a 3.0 or better cumulative GPA.

Please visit: http://go.umd.edu/BSOSSRI for details on the application process. Questions should be addressed to Mr. Joel Saunders at: 2141 Tydings Hall College Park, Maryland 20742  
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