

Steps to Summer Research

*See back for URLs



Now!

Surf the web!

List 20 to 30 programs/
places that interest you.

Read about requesting a
letter of recommendation.



Next

Discuss your list with two faculty
members in your department who know
you. Ask their help in selecting the best
15 for you from your list. Also, ask if
they would write your recommendation
letters later.



October

Write your resume. Write a personal statement
for one program (you can modify for each pro-
gram as needed). Update/review your resume and
personal statement with:

- The Career Center/Shriver Center
- The Writing Center
- If this is a SURF application, or if you
choose, also review these materials with
Dr. April Householder



November

Assemble letter of recommendation
packets for your recommenders. Con-
firm that they have time to write good
letters of recommendation for you.



December

**COMPLETE
APPLICATIONS!**



January

Double check that
everything is done.
Remind recommenders
about letters if needed.



March/April

Select your summer position.
Tell your recommenders.

Read This

For more information, go to:

<http://ur.umbc.edu/summer-research>

Useful Links

1. Surf the Web! Research Opportunities -

<http://ur.umbc.edu/summer-research>

*many pay about \$4,000 for a 10-week research assignment

2. Read about requesting a letter or recommendation -

<https://tinyurl.com/myk34kp>

3. The Career Services Center -

<http://careers.umbc.edu/aboutus/>

4. The Shriver Center -

<http://shrivercenter.umbc.edu/>

5. The Writing Center -

<http://lrc.umbc.edu/tutor/writing-center/>

6. SURF (Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship) -

<http://ur.umbc.edu/summer-research/nist/surf-application-checklist/>

7. "Read This" How to make the most of your new opportunity -

<https://tinyurl.com/n7erz42>

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