Taylor Sloey NSF REU Healthy Streams Healthy Coasts Subject:

Please help us spread the word to undergraduate researchers!

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette is currently taking applications for undergraduates to participate in a new National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates site located in Lafavette, LA.

We are seeking highly motivated undergraduate students to participate in a life changing research experience. Students accepted to this competitive program will have the opportunity to spend 8 weeks (June 4-July 27, 2018) in the heart of Cajun Country in Lafayette, Louisiana, working with leading researchers in interdisciplinary fields related to coastal and watershed science. REU investigations will fundamentally expand our understanding of watershed and estuarine resources and processes in an urban- and agriculturally-influenced watershed. Southern Louisiana encompasses a rich network of watersheds connected to the Mississippi (the largest Delta in the US) and the Atchafalaya Basin (the largest swamp in the US). This region is one of rapid and ongoing change due to both climate and land use changes, and is the focal point for a multitude of efforts at local, state, regional, and federal levels directed towards ecosystem protection and restoration. Students involved in research in this REU program will experience a vibrant research community engaged in innovative, multidisciplinary research to address some of the most pressing watershed and coastal issues of present and future decades. Students will be paired with a faculty mentor and engage in hands-on research, field trips, and meet and greets with leading researchers in watershed science. Students will develop valuable skills conducting literature reviews, scientific integrity, scientific writing, innovation in research, data collection and analysis, and presentation of research findings to diverse audiences. Students will gain the education, networking opportunities, and mentorship to prepare them for further academic pursuits in graduate school and future careers in science. For eight (8) amazing weeks during summer 2018, REU students will be housed on campus at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. This campus is located in the heart of Cajun Culture, is a walkable distance from downtown shopping, nightlife, and some of the best restaurants in the country.

UL Lafayette is seeking diverse students from Universities nation-wide. Students from underrepresented groups, first generation students, and students without undergraduate research opportunities at their home universities or colleges are highly encouraged to apply.

Selected students will receive monetary compensation, food allowances, travel support, research support, and on-campus housing. Applications are open now through Feb 15, 2018.

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