



## 2026 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF)

The Loma Linda University School of Medicine provides opportunities for undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) majors to gain biomedical research experience\*. SURF is open to students who have completed sophomore year (by June 2026) through to seniors who are interested in working with PhD scientists or MD/PhD physician scientists that are conducting biomedical research. Preference will be given to students interested in undertaking a future graduate biomedical research program.





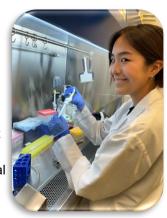
Students admitted to the SURF program will work in a research laboratory conducting experiments and will attend a weekly lunchtime program meeting. Towards the end of the program, students will present their research findings on a poster at a one-day research symposium. The program requires a commitment of 8 weeks (June 15-August 7) and includes financial support (~\$600/week for 8 weeks). Housing is available in dormitories for the summer (double \$1100; single \$1750). You will be responsible for housing, room, and board costs.

Application and admission to SURF has two parts. First, students should review the research interests of faculty that have agreed to serve as mentors. Faculty are listed on the SURF website (see link below). Second, students should complete the application form via the link on the SURF website. The application deadline is Friday February 20. Notice of SURF acceptance will be emailed by mid-March.

Please contact kwatts@llu.edu if you have any program questions.

Sincerely, Kylie J. Watts, PhD Associate Professor **SURF** Coordinator

\*SURF accepts applications from international students currently registered at a U.S. university (that have not graduated before SURF). If accepted into SURF, international students must register at their university to do curricular practical training (SURF) at LLU.





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SURF website (and application forms): https://medicine.llu.edu/research/summer-researchprograms/summer-undergraduate-research-fellowship-surf