The Loma Linda University School of Medicine provides opportunities for undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) majors to gain experience in biomedical research.* The SURF program (formerly called BURP) is open to sophomore through senior undergraduate students who are interested in working with PhD scientists or MD/PhD physician scientists that are conducting biomedical research with the objective of advancing our knowledge and treatment of human disease.

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 minimum commitment of 8 weeks with a maximum stipend support (currently up to $500/week) of 10 weeks. Housing is available in dormitories (double occupancy) for $1010 for the summer. The program does not cover the costs of housing, room, or board.

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 send their completed application to undergradresearch@llu.edu. The application deadline is April 15. Notice of acceptance into SURF will be emailed to students by the end of April.

Please contact us at undergradresearch@llu.edu if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,
Kylie J. Watts, PhD
Program Coordinator

*SURF also accepts applications from international students currently registered at a U.S. university. If accepted into SURF, international students are required to register at their university to do curricular practical training (SURF) at LLU.

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