The CLP Summer Scholars Research Program offers competitive $5,000 research awards to Northwestern undergraduates who have demonstrated, through course work and activities, that they are interested in pursuing multi-disciplinary graduate research in the sciences. Scholars are named by mid-May.

**AWARD**

* $5,000
  + $4,500 will be used to cover living expenses over the full 10 weeks of Summer Quarter.
  + $500 will be used to cover research expenses, such as laboratory supplies.
  + Unused funds revert back to CLP.

**EXPECTATIONS**

* Summer Scholars are expected to spend 100% of their time working with a CLP faculty member in a multi-disciplinary science research lab for 10-weeks during Summer Quarter.
* Students must agree to not take on any other paid work or research grants for any part of the ten-week period and must not be enrolled in courses for any part of that period.
* Present a research poster at the Summer Undergraduate Research Forum in August
* Present a research poster (or give an oral presentation) at the Chicago Area Undergraduate Research Symposium in April 2026.
* Students are encouraged to attend CLP-sponsored workshops held throughout the year.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must be Northwestern undergraduates with preference given to rising sophomores or juniors. Research must be conducted with a [CLP faculty member](http://clp.northwestern.edu/faculty-and-staff/faculty_directory). Previous lab experience is suggested. Applicants will be selected based upon their academic achievements and scientific interests.

**APPLICATION PACKAGE SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

Submit application via email to Penelope Johnson

[penelope.johnson@northwestern.edu](mailto:penelope.johnson@northwestern.edu)

* Completed Summer Scholars Application form
* Include a one-page, single-sided proposal describing the type of research you plan to conduct if selected for this program. Use a standard 11-point font. Include title of project at top of the page, centered, and your name. One additional page is allowed for including figures and/or references.
* Endorsement letter from a CLP faculty member. Faculty may submit their recommendation letter via email to Penelope Johnson by April 15, 2025.

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| **Applicant Information** | | | | | |
| Name: | | | | | |
| Address: | | | | | |
| Date of birth: | | | | Mobile phone: | |
| Email: | | | | | |
| **DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION** | | | | | |
| Race  Asian  Black or African-American  Multi-Racial  White  Prefer not to report  American-Indian or Alaska Native  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  Ethnicity  Hispanic or Latino  Not Hispanic or Latino  Prefer not to report  Gender  Female  Male  Non-binary  Prefer not to report | | | | | |
| **ACADEMIC Information** | | | | | |
| School/Department/Major(s): | | | | | |
| Faculty Sponsor: | | | | Lab Mentor: | |
| Current Year: | Expected Graduation Date: | | | GPA: | Student ID#: |
| Previous college(s) attended (if applicable): | | | | | |
| Have you ever participated in a research program in the past? Please list all research programs.  No  Yes When/Where: | | | | | |
| List any societies, fraternities, organizations, etc. you have been involved with during college: | | | | | |
| In the space below, please provide a 1-2 sentence summary of your research: | | | | | |
| Please list any awards you may have received while attending Northwestern: | | | | | |
| **Relevant Experience** | | | | | |
| **List any relevant work and/or laboratory experience:** | | | | | |
| Employer: | | | | | |
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| **Research Interests** (MARK all that apply) | | | | | | |
| **Chemistry** | **Chemical Engineering** | **Materials Science** | **Biochemistry, Molecular Biology & Cell Biology** | **Physics** | |
| Organic Synthesis | Polymer  Chemistry | Metals | Biochemistry | Experimental Condensed Matter | |
| Inorganic Synthesis | Polymer Physics | Biomaterials | Structural Biology | Theoretical Condensed Matter | |
| Spectroscopy | Catalysis | Electronic Materials | Cell and Molecular Biology | Lasers | |
| Polymer Chemistry | Biochemical Engineering | Ceramics | Biophysics |  | |
| Biochemistry | Biomaterials | Polymers | Hormone Action  and Signal Transduction | | |
| Catalysis | Modeling and Simulation | Computational | Genetics and Developmental Biology | | |
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| **AGREEMENT** | | | | | | |
| I attest that I meet the program requirements listed on this application, and I have disclosed all of the information this form is requesting of me. If accepted to this program, **I agree to present my research as a poster presentation at the Chicago Area Undergraduate Research Symposium**. In submitting this application, I understand that failure to disclose any requested information and/or failure to comply with the above terms and conditions may result in disqualification of and/or termination from the CLP program. | | | | | | |
| Signature of applicant: | | | | | Date: | |

For additional information about this program, please contact Penelope Johnson at [penelope.johnson@northwestern.edu](mailto:penelope.johnson@northwestern.edu)