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

* 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 IslanderEthnicity[ ]  Hispanic or Latino [ ]  Not Hispanic or Latino [ ]  Prefer not to reportGender[ ]  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:      |
| Job Title:      | Dates of Employment:      |
| Duties:      |
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| **Research Interests** (MARK all that apply) |
| **Chemistry** | **Chemical Engineering** | **Materials Science** | **Biochemistry, Molecular Biology & Cell Biology** | **Physics** |
| Organic Synthesis | PolymerChemistry | 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 Actionand 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