Directions

As you prepare your application for funding from the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program, please read these instructions carefully. More detailed information is included on the UROP website (www.bu.edu/urop). An online submission of your application is due by 12:00PM on the day of the deadline. Your faculty mentor must complete an online recommendation form by 11:59PM on the day of the deadline. We do not guarantee that application materials submitted after the deadline will be considered.

Important changes to the application: Beginning in spring 2019, you can apply for either a supplies award or a stipend award, but not both. The number of hours for which you can apply per week is now 5, 8, or 10.

Only online submissions of applications, no hard copies, and only one per person are accepted. Speak with your mentor to confirm the amount of your stipend or supplies request. If the amount you request differs from the amount your mentor notes on the recommendation form, you will be awarded the smaller amount. UROP will not send your mentor a reminder to submit the recommendation letter. It is your responsibility to do so.

Keep your responses within the word limit of each field; you may not continue your responses in the Appendix. If you have any questions or encounter difficulties, it is your responsibility to contact the UROP Office at urop@bu.edu or 617-353-2020.

Statistical Data Collection Page

Providing information on this page is strictly voluntary, and this page will not be included when your application is sent to reviewers. Data are collected solely for statistical purposes for reporting to agencies that request such information (including granting agencies that supply funding to UROP) and for evaluating our program. The data will not be used during the evaluation or award process.
Please select your race/ethnicity:

African-American/Black
Asian
Caucasian/White
Hispanic/Latino
Native American
Pacific Islander or Native Hawaiian
Please select your immigration status:
US Citizen
US Permanent Resident ("Green Card")
Foreign National/International Student

Please select your gender:
Male
Female

Please enter your GPA:

How did you hear about UROP? (check all that apply)
From my mentor
From another professor
From a non-UROP staff member
Through a BU website
Listened to UROP staff speak to a student group/class
From a Classmate/Friend

Applicant Information

First Name *

Last Name *
Faculty Mentor's BU Email Address *

example@example.com

Have you worked with this mentor before? *

Yes

No

For how long? *

Where will you be performing your research? *

Will you be receiving any academic credit for this research work? If yes, then you may only apply for a Supplies Award and/or Travel Award. *

Yes

No

Award Types

Student Research Award (SRA): a stipend that is funded entirely by UROP.

Faculty Matching Grant (FMG): a stipend half of which is provided by UROP (the amount chosen below) and half is provided by your mentor. Ensure that your mentor has matching funds. For a Faculty Matching Grant (FMG), your faculty mentor must have matching funds totalling half of your requested award amount. For example, if you apply for a total award of $1,200 (10 hours/week), your mentor must provide $600 in matching funds.

Humanities Scholar Award (HSA): a stipend for 10 hour/week - $1,200 stipend award. The award includes an additional $250 for supplies and travel.

Supplies Award: funds that are provided to the mentor’s department to cover supplies needed for the research project.

For what type of award are you applying? *
Please select the approximate number of hours you will be working: *

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What is the total dollar amount you are requesting for supplies? *

Are you a Kilachand Honors College student? *
  Yes
  No

Is this application for your Honors College project? *
  Yes
  No

Have you previously been awarded UROP funding? *
  Yes
  No

When did you receive funding? (Please list all semesters) *

Previous UROP Funded Project

Is this a continuation of a previously funded project? *
  Yes
  No

Summarize the status of your project to date. Provide information on any results and detail new goals you wish to achieve. Include an explanation of why more funds are necessary. *

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Do you feel that your previously funded UROP project was completed? *
  Yes
  No

Provide a brief justification for why the project was not completed. *

Provide a description of your previously-funded project. Include any results you obtained. *

List goals from your previously funded application and approximate the percentage of each goal that has been completed. *
Project Description and Goals - Provide a description of your research proposal written in terms that can be understood by someone outside your field. Include your project's overall objectives as well as the specific goals you plan to accomplish this semester.

Project Significance/Importance - Explain in general terms why the information gained from this research project will be beneficial. What is the bigger picture of your research project?

Methodology/Process - Clearly state how you plan to accomplish the goals listed in your project description. Identify the specific steps necessary to perform your research.
Time Line - Provide a detailed timeline for completion of goals of your project. Include goals listed above.

Background Experience - List any previous research experience, applicable course work, or other relevant experience you may have.

Bibliography - List the sources you have consulted in preparation of this proposal, as well as any references you have cited within this application.

Supplies Award Request

Supplies Awards are typically under $500. You must provide a detailed description of what you wish to purchase. Indicate the price per unit and the total estimated cost for each item. Unused lines should be left blank.

Supplies Award funds may not be used for travel. All applications for travel must be submitted on a separate travel application, which can be found on the UROP website.
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Supplies Award Justification - Describe the role the requested materials will play in your research and explain your need for each item. *

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Safety Training

All students working in laboratories that use certain hazardous materials are required by the Office of Environmental Health & Safety to complete training to work with those materials. Animal Safety courses are coordinated by the Laboratory Animal Care Facility.

Does your research environment require you to take safety training? If you are unsure, please ask your mentor.

Laboratory Safety *

Yes
No

taken on:  

Month Day Year

Radiation Safety *

Yes
No
taken on:

Month Day Year

**Laser Safety** *

Yes

No

taken on:

Month Day Year

**X-Ray Safety** *

Yes

No

taken on:

Month Day Year

**Animal Safety** *

Yes

No

taken on:

Month Day Year

If you have not taken the required training(s), provide the date(s) when you will fulfill the requirement(s).

Human Subjects and Animal Use
If you are going to be using animals in your research, has the Animal User New Project Application been approved by the Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee (IACUC)? If yes, upload a copy of the approval letter. If no, explain in the box below.

Yes
No

IACUC Approval Letter - This must be titled as "[Last Name], [First Name] IACUC"

Only .pdf files will be accepted.

If your research will involve humans, has it been approved by the appropriate Boston University Institutional Review Board (IRB)? If yes, upload a copy of the approval letter. If no, explain in the box below.

Yes
No

IRB Approval Letter - This must be titled as "[Last Name], [First Name] IRB"

Only .pdf files will be accepted.

Additional Explanation:

Appendix

This section is not required. You may upload 1 page of additional information only if you feel it is relevant to your application. You may not continue your answers in this section; if you do so, they will be removed from your application. Your answers to previous questions must fit within the limits of the boxes provided.

If you upload an appendix, you MUST title it "[Last Name], [First Name] Appendix". If your appendix is not labeled according to these directions, we cannot guarantee that it will be evaluated with your application.