



The University of California's Leadership Excellence through Advanced Degrees (UC LEADS) is funded through the UC Office of the President, and is intended to prepare promising students for advanced education in science, technology, mathematics and engineering (STEM). This two-year program offers students the chance to conduct research at another campus the second summer in the program. (Spring selection ~ Feb. 1 - March 15)



The Maximizing Access to Research Careers - Undergraduate Student Training in Academic Research (MARC U*STAR) program is funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The program seeks to increase the number of highly-trained biomedical and behavioral scientists in leadership positions. (Spring selection ~ Feb. 1 - March 15)



The Kidney Undergraduate Research Experience (KURE) program is an 8-week paid summer program hosted at the University of Alabama, Birmingham (UAB) providing an opportunity for UC Merced undergraduate students to conduct hands-on basic and translational kidney research skills, and is directed to students with a desire to pursue careers in the biomedical sciences. (Fall selection ~ Sept. 15 - Oct. 30)



A partnership with Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and Department of Energy (DOE) provides an opportunity for UC Merced students to conduct research at the Joint Genome Institute in Walnut Creek, CA. Summer scholars conduct research across disciplines to support JGI's mission advancing alternative energy, global carbon cycling, and biogeochemistry. (Fall selection ~ Oct. 18 - Nov. 15)



The Accelerated STEM Pathways through Internships, Research, Engagement, and Support (ASPIRES) program is a collaboration between Cañada College's Engineering Department, San Francisco State University School of Engineering, and UC Merced. The project is supported by a grant from the US Department of Education through the Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP). (Opportunity is for Cañada students)



The UROC-H program is intended to engage a cohort of promising undergraduate students each year in faculty-mentored research and prepare them for advanced education in the humanities and humanistic social sciences. This program is a collaborative effort by UROC, Center for the Humanities, Graduate Division, and the School of Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts. The program is funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. (Fall selection ~ Sept. 15 - Oct. 30)



The Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Program provides research support for UC Merced undergraduates pursuing research in any academic discipline for one year. Qualified students with interest in pursuing graduate school are especially encouraged to apply. This program is funded directly through the Office of Undergraduate Education. (Spring selection ~ Feb. 1 - March 15)

Affiliated Programs and Partnerships

MACES: Merced Nanomaterials Center for Energy and Sensing Summer Research Internships (NASA) CCBM C-SIP: Center for Cellular and Biomolecular Machines (CCBM) Summer Internship Program (C-SIP) Yosemite Environmental Sciences Research Experiences for Undergraduates (NSF)



The California Alliance for Minority Participation (CAMP) in science, technology, engineering and math, is a statewide initiative funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF). The CAMP program began at UC Irvine in 1991; currently, nine UC campuses participate in the program.

KURE is to be instructed in the techniques of biology, while becoming integrated members of a vibrant clinical and scientific community.