

GETTING INVOLVED IN

DUKE UNDERGRAD RESEARCH

A tool to help you navigate getting involved in research at Duke

OCTOBER

- Contact College Advisor to pick spring classes
- Make a DAE appointment** to discuss opportunities
- Look for spring research positions on **Muser** and **Duke List**
- Attend **Majors Fair**

SUMMER PLANNING

Start planning for summer in the fall. Prepare your application materials over winter break. Apply in January, February & March.

DECEMBER - JANUARY

- Apply for **Summer Opportunities**
- Work on/submit Summer program applications
- Apply for **Institutional Review Board (IRB)** approval if you are pursuing an independent study project with human subjects
- Apply for **URS spring semester research funding**
- Attend Applying to Summer BioMed Research Programs Workshop

APRIL

- Visit the **Visible Thinking Symposium** where URS-funded and honors thesis students present their research
- Visit departmental honors thesis and capstone events and learn about new techniques and **research ideas from peers**

JULY-AUGUST

- Touch base with an Advisor** as summer experiences may change your plans

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

- Look for fall research positions on **Muser** and **Duke List**
- Visit **Getting Started in Research** Event
- If pursuing **independent research**, consider methods and where you'll conduct the research
- Visit **Career Fairs**
- Attend Natural Science "**How to Land a Lab**" Workshop
- Apply for **URS fall semester research funding**

NOVEMBER

- Visit the **Summer Opportunities Fair** & apply for those that are of interest
- Visit the Writing Center to get **feedback** on job letters and program applications
- Talk to current professors** about research opportunities if you are interested in their field (**VLearn** or **FLUNCH** are great ways to connect with professors)

FEBRUARY-MARCH

- Make a DAE appointment** to discuss opportunities
- Continue summer program applications
- Apply for summer Arts research
- Sophomores declare majors** before spring break
- Look for summer & fall research positions on **Muser** and **Duke List**

MAY-JUNE

- Take a look back on the year and **consider this year's coursework and interests**
- Make a plan** for pursuing opportunities for next year
- Late May/Early June summer research programs begin