



2007 Student Survey

CORNELL CENTER FOR MATERIALS RESEARCH
 Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Program

Please return to Victoria Watts, CCMR, 627 Clark Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853.

All responses will be kept confidential.

Selecting an REU Program						Please make any additional comments in spaces provided below
How did you find out about our REU program?	Web	Advisor	Friend	Flyer	Other	
How many REU programs did you apply to?	1	2	3	4	5	
How many offers did you receive?	1	2	3	4	5	
Why did you select the CCMR REU program?	Research Program Topics	Specific faculty member	Stipend	Scientific Activities (Trips)	Location	

Please tell us about your application process	Strongly Disagree	Disagree Somewhat	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Agree Somewhat	Strongly Agree	Suggestions to Improve:
The application form was clear and straightforward						
Application deadlines and notification dates were made clear to me						



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Please tell us about your application process	Strongly Disagree	Disagree Somewhat	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Agree Somewhat	Strongly Agree	Suggestions to Improve:
I felt well informed about my application status						
I understood how I would be matched to a particular research project						
Did you receive enough information about the program prior to the start?						
Did you receive enough information during orientation on the first day?						

Rate the mini-course	Not Informative	Somewhat Informative	Informative	Very Informative	Extremely Informative	Did not Attend	Suggestions for Improvements
Polarized Light Microscopy (Tom McCarrick)							
Machine Shop Training (George Petry)							
Electronics (Lars Washburn)							



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Rate the Facilities Tours	Not Informative	Somewhat Informative	Informative	Very Informative	Extremely Informative	Did not Attend	Suggestions for Improvements
Electron & Microscopy (John Hunt)							
Surface Imaging (Kit Umbach)							
Materials Facility – Bard Hall (Paul Bishop)							
Transmission Electron Microscopy (John Grazul)							
Materials Facility – Clark Hall (John Sinnott)							
X-Ray Diffraction (Maura Weathers)							
Polymer Characterization- (Tony Condo)							
UHV - STEM – Clark Hall (Mick Thomas)							

Rate the Events	Ineffectual	Acceptable	Enjoyable	Outstanding	Awesome	Did not attend	Comments
New York City							
Advanced Design Consulting							
Advion BioServices							
Niagara Falls							
Gorge Trip							
Group Dinners							



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Rate the Fun Talks	Not Informative	Somewhat Informative	Informative	Very Informative	Extremely Informative	Did not Attend	Comments
A Sound Barrier for Silicon? (Peter Ercius)							
How to Make Plastics from Food (Prof. Geoff Coates)							
Grad School Panel (Prof. David Collum and Sarah Hale)							
Energy and Fuel Cells: Demos and Thoughts about the Future (Prof. Frank DiSalvo)							
How Trees Transpire—Lessons from Building Artificial Leaves (Prof. Abe Stroock)							
Biom mineralization and Bio-inspired Materials Synthesis (Prof. Lara Estroff)							
NSDL Digital Library Demo (Prof. Laura Bartolo)							
Scientific Presentation Workshop (Melissa Hines)							



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The Program	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Comments:
I learned new technical skills						
I worked hard on my project						
I was satisfied with my end results						
I think my project was well designed						
Has this REU experience changed your perception of materials science research?						
Do you have any publication ideas you plan to work on?						
Did you encounter any problems with your project? If yes, explain.						
What did you learn from your experience?						
How interesting was the project? Explain						
What are your future plans (e.g. grad school, med school, industry, teaching)?						
Overall, would you recommend this program to others? Why or why not?						



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The People	Strongly Disagree	Disagree Somewhat	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree Somewhat	Strongly Agree	Comments:
My faculty member was helpful						
My faculty member was accessible						
My group members were helpful						
My group members were accessible						
CCMR staff members were helpful						
CCMR staff members were accessible						
	Faculty	Postdoctoral candidate	Graduate Student	Someone Else	Comments	
Who most directly supervised your work?						
	Not Helpful	Somewhat Helpful	Helpful	Very Helpful	Extremely Helpful	Comments
If supervised by a graduate student or postdoc, how helpful were they?						
	Daily	Every few Days	Once a Week	Every Few Weeks	Seldom at all	Comments
Did you have contact with your supervisor?						
	Seldom	Off and On	Usually	Often	Always	Comments
Were you able to get help when you needed it?						
Did your lab group have regular meetings?						



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Final Presentations and Research Papers	Not Informative	Somewhat Informative	Informative	Very Informative	Extremely Informative	
Rate your experience during the final presentations?						
What did you learn or gain from the presentation experience?						
What did you learn or gain from the research paper experience?						

Miscellaneous	Poor	Somewhat Acceptable	Acceptable	Good	Excellent	Comments
How was the housing?						
Please use the space below for any other comments or suggestions that you may have about our program.						

Optional:							
Gender:	Male	Female					
Race	African American	Asian	Caucasian	Native American	Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Other