



2017 - 2018

SUMMER SCIENCE SCHOLARS PROGRAM
COMPETITIVE AWARDS FOR STUDENT-FACULTY RESEARCH TEAMS

The Kenyon Summer Science Scholars program provides opportunities for students to work in close collaboration with faculty mentors in natural science disciplines as full participants in the processes of creating a research plan, executing a research project, and preparing results for presentation in a public forum.

Deadlines

Table with 2 columns: Task and Deadline. Rows include: Proposals (including cover sheet) 4:30 PM on Friday, February 2, 2018; Abstracts (including mentor and project title) 4:30 PM on Wednesday, September 12, 2018; Draft Posters first printing by midnight on Wednesday, October 3, 2018; Posters submitted for final printing by midnight on Wednesday, October 10, 2018; Presentation at research poster session 4:15 to 6:00 PM on Friday, October 19, 2018; All receipts and invoices submitted for payment or reimbursement 4:30 PM Wednesday, October 31, 2018

Program requirements – The student member of a student/faculty research team is responsible for writing and submitting the proposal (see below) in consultation with the faculty member. The team conducts their research over an 8 to 10 week period in the summer, at the end of which the student member of the team submits an abstract of approximately 200 words describing the project and results.

Fellowships - The current fellowship award is \$4,000 per student plus provision of on-campus housing. Students not requiring on-campus housing are not eligible for additional remuneration.

Expenses – Each student will be able to purchase up to \$500 in materials, supplies, and/or equipment to support the research project. Any materials, supplies, and equipment will become the property of the College and remain with the department after completion of the research project. All expenses must be approved by the faculty mentor and submitted with original invoice or receipt to the administrative assistant for the faculty mentor’s department no later than the last day of October following the summer project. Funding for conference travel may be requested through the Provost’s Student Research Grant program.

Proposals – A complete proposal consists of

- 1. KSSS proposal Google Form
2. Project description: clear, concise description of the goals and methodology of the proposed project (target length 1000-2000 words); by e-mail attachment to lechleitnera@kenyon.edu (.doc, .docx., or .pdf).
3. Faculty statement: brief letter from faculty mentor addressing qualifications of the student to successfully complete the project and indicating whether grant funds may be available to support the student stipend and expense budget; by e-mail attachment to lechleitnera@kenyon.edu (.doc, .docx., or .pdf).

The student member of the research team is responsible for completing parts 1 and 2, while the faculty mentor completes part 3 and submits it directly. Awards will be announced on or before March 2, 2018. Notification will be by e-mail, copying the faculty mentor. A student may not accept this award if he or she is participating in another summer research program or has on-campus summer employment.

Audit credit – Students who complete all requirements as stated above and who are endorsed by their faculty mentors will receive audit credit on their transcripts for this summer research experience. Students who will be abroad at the time of the poster session may prepare a poster in advance for display at the session, or they may present their poster in the summer science poster session the following year to complete the requirements for audit credit.