Applying to Off-Campus REUs or other summer fellowships

Although we at Brandeis pride ourselves in our summer research programs and encourage you to participate here, we know that some of you will want to explore options elsewhere for reasons of subject matter, variety, or personal circumstances.

**What's an REU**

REU stands for "Research Experiences for Undergraduates," a title used by the National Science Foundation in programs they support.

If you want an off-campus opportunity, you should be able to find many programs on the internet with a quick search. Summer programs of about 8-10 weeks duration can be found at many fine American universities. [https://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/reu_search.jsp](https://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/reu_search.jsp) and [http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/undergrads.aspx](http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/undergrads.aspx) might be a couple good spots to start looking.

Deadlines for applying are usually around the start of February for summer programs. Don't delay.

You might find the document [How to Succeed as an Undergraduate Science Researcher at Brandeis University](http://pathwaystoscience.org/Library.aspx) useful when preparing to apply. It was prepared by the Brandeis Science Communication Lab. Additional tips can be found here: [http://pathwaystoscience.org/Library.aspx](http://pathwaystoscience.org/Library.aspx)