

## 2020 RSB Summer Research Proposal

Please submit your completed application and supporting materials **by 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2020.**

### Directions:

1. After reviewing the questions below, complete the UR Summer Fellowship application found here\_ <https://ursf.richmond.edu/apply/index.html>
2. Include a copy of your unofficial transcript
3. Please ask your sponsoring faculty member to submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf to [bhalliga@richmond.edu](mailto:bhalliga@richmond.edu) prior to 5:00 PM, February 11, 2020.

1. Title of Research Project:
2. Additional background in the subject area
3. **Part 1: Aims:** As concisely as you can, state the aims of your project. What are the specific questions you seek to answer?
4. **Part 2: Academic Preparation:** What academic experience have you had that prepares you for this project?
5. **Part 3: Background and Significance:** Why do you want to answer this question? What is known and not known in this area of inquiry? (Please provide citations from the relevant literature.) What literature will your project engage? Is there a new hypothesis you propose to address or missing information you propose to provide?
6. **Part 4: Project Design and Methods**  
Describe the design of your project and explain how the methods and design of your project will answer the questions you pose. How does your project design compare to other approaches to questions on this field? For example, are you examining a new collection of data or utilizing a new analytical approach?
7. **Part 5: Research Subjects**  
If your work requires human subjects, do you have approval from the IRB? If your work requires animal subjects, do you have approval from IACUC? If not, please explain what steps you will take to receive the required approval.
8. **Part 6: Literature Cited:** Provide a full literature review and bibliography of works cited.
9. **Part 7: Research Project Report:** A Summer Research Grant Report describing the progress on the project and proposed completion date, if not completed, is required to be submitted by August 14, 2020 to the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs. This report should be approved by the sponsoring faculty prior to submission.