



First-Year Summer Research Project Application

Contact Information

Name:	
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Home Address:	
Campus Phone:	
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Are you currently on Financial Aid (relevant in determining amount of award)?	
Are you an international student (relevant for tax purposes)?	

Project Information

Project Title:	
One sentence summary of project:	

References

Please provide **two** letters of reference. One must be from your faculty supervisor, the second from a professor who can attest to the quality of your academic work and qualities that would contribute to successful completion of the project. If you will also be working with a supervisor outside of Dartmouth, please include a letter from him or her outlining the work agreement you have reached.

Name of Faculty Supervisor(s):	
Supervisor's Department:	
Name of second reference:	
Name of outside supervisor / project sponsor (if applicable):	
Mailing address for outside project sponsor (if applicable):	

Faculty Supervisor

Your signature below represents acceptance of the above student as an advisee. As an advisor we ask that you assist in the design of the project, establishment of criteria for a final report, and supervise the project with regular contact (by phone or e-mail for off-campus projects) throughout the summer. In your letter of recommendation we ask that you comment on the feasibility, relevance and quality of the proposed research as well as any insight you may have as to the student's ability to complete the project.

Signature	Date
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Research Proposal:

The remainder of your application should include an abstract of the project, a brief literature review or relevant sources you would consult, the methodology you are proposing, and a concise summary of why you are interested in this project. Proposal lengths will vary, but please consider the following questions:

Motivation: How did you discover this topic? Why is it of importance to you?

Abstract: Briefly describe what you are intending to research and why. What is your hypothesis or statement of purpose?

Literature Review:

What do you already know about your topic? What is the importance of your research? What are key sources you should become familiar with before or during your research?

Methodology: How will you collect and evaluate data? What specific tasks are involved in the completion of this project? How will you investigate your question? What are limitations to your proposed methodology?

Experience or Academic Preparation:

Describe what experiences or courses you have taken that have prepared you to successfully complete this project. Are you planning to take courses or undertake independent reading during the spring term? If so, describe.

Human Subjects Review:

"For those students who are engaged in projects involving human subjects (e.g. interview or survey procedures) Dartmouth College has an office on campus referred to as the Office of the Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects (CPHS). This office is federally mandated to review all projects involving human participation at the college regardless of funding source. There are three possible levels of review that a project may require: Exempt, Expedited, or Full Committee Review." (CPHS memo to Student Researchers)

At this stage in your application, you do not need to take any further steps, but you may want to become acquainted with more detailed information available from the CPHS at: <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~cphs/>. If your project is being sponsored by an outside institution, please be aware that your proposal may also need to pass their review process and standards. If applicable, you should consult with your project supervisor to be sure that you will have sufficient time to gain approval and finish the project.