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# UBRP NEXT STEPS

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## WELCOME TO UBRP! HERE ARE YOUR NEXT STEPS:

- 1) Officially **accept your UBRP position** by signing & submitting the UBRP Participation Agreement.
- 2) Get **hired at UA** ; you will be hired as a student employee by UA HR
- 3) Identify and **finalize your UBRP mentor** by submitting the UBRP Commitment Form.

*This information is also posted on the UBRP website under the “Newly Accepted Students” tab.*



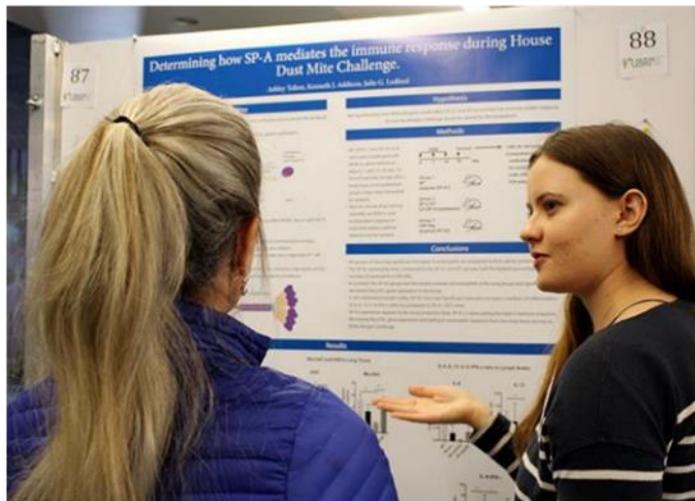
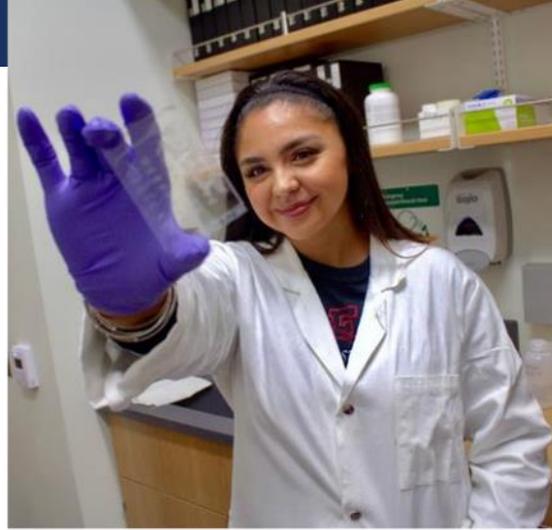
WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT UBRP?



# OVERVIEW OF REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

- **UBRP Orientation** on Monday, May 18, 2026, 8:00am – 5:00pm, on campus.
- **Full-time summer research**, May 19 – August 7, 35 hours/week during program dates
  - Minimum of **350 total hours** this summer; you may report a maximum of 8 hours/day and 35 hours/week.
- **Summer Wednesday Meetings** (3:30-5:00pm from May 27 – August 5).
  - Small group professional development workshops
  - Seminars on scientific topics, scholarship/fellowship opportunities, scientific communication, etc.
- **“Telling My Story” science communication activities**
  - “Telling My Story” activities (social media photo & post and reflective/impact *Letter to a UBRP Supporter*)
  - Develop a poster and present it at the annual UBRP Conference in January 2027
- **Program evaluations**

# JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS!



## STEP ONE: OFFICIALLY ACCEPT YOUR UBRP POSITION

Review, sign, and submit the UBRP Participation Agreement by **March 6**.

You may submit by e-mail (to Jennifer Cubeta at [cubeta@arizona.edu](mailto:cubeta@arizona.edu)) or drop off a physical copy at the UBRP Office (LSS 227).

*What should you do if you have other prospects?*

## STEP TWO: EMPLOYMENT THROUGH UA

Hiring process: If you are not currently employed by the U of A, you will be hired through UA Human Resources and will need to submit 1-9 documents (more information to come).

You will be a student employee / undergraduate research assistant. You will have an assigned supervisor and time approver, and will use UAccess Employee to submit timesheets.

Pay rate for Summer 2026 is \$15.50/hour. Sign up for direct deposit as soon as possible!

UBRP Accountant: Vince Leon, [vleon@arizona.edu](mailto:vleon@arizona.edu), 520-621-0245.



**WHAT ARE THINGS YOU NEED TO KEEP IN MIND  
WHEN CHOOSING A LAB?**



## STEP THREE: FINDING YOUR FACULTY MENTOR

**Do the proper work in advance to find the right research group for you!**

- Research potential mentors (see list on “Faculty” webpage)
  - Venture into the unknown... browse mentors, as you might discover something that sparks your interest!
- Arrange to interview about five mentors...and be prepared!
- Advice from others: what should you consider when selecting a lab?
- FYI: what to do about non-UBRP mentors and switching mentors

**Submit your completed UBRP Commitment Form by **April 3!****

Directions on "Newly Accepted Student" page of UBRP website

# GET READY TO BE INVOLVED!

## Join the UBRP Summer 2026 Discord!

- Connect with other students
- Get real time event updates
- Message your fellow UBRPers



## Save the date!

UBRP Orientation  
Monday, May 18  
8:00am – 5:00pm  
Location TBD

*Lunch will be provided.*

**Stay tuned to  
your email** for  
more UBRP info  
prior to the  
summer!

## COMMON QUESTIONS:

- What about summer housing?
- Can I do summer school or other research programs at the same time as UBRP?
- We would love to have HOV drivers!
- How does continuing in UBRP for the academic year work?
- Other questions?





## NEXT STEPS:

- SUBMIT YOUR PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BY **MARCH 6** TO ACCEPT YOUR UBRP POSITION
- FIND/CONFIRM YOUR RESEARCH MENTOR – COMMITMENT FORM IS DUE **APRIL 3**