

# EMPOWER: Research and Extension Experiences for Undergraduates

Location: **Purdue University Northwest, Hammond, IN**



## Important Dates

Application Deadline:  
**March 15, 2024**

By email:  
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Notification of  
Selection:  
**March 31, 2024**

**REEU Program**  
June 2 – August 2,  
2024



**Eligibility:** All undergraduate students interested in water, energy and environmental systems for sustainable agriculture and rural development (*minorities and underrepresented students are encouraged to apply*)

## Topics:

- Food-Energy-Water-Land Nexus for Sustainable Agriculture
- Renewable Energy Integration in Agriculture and Rural Communities
- Process Simulation and Visualization of Water and Energy Integration
- AI-enabled Biomass Feedstock Characterization and Quality Control
- AI-enabled Mobile Augmented Reality Innovation for Coastal Marine Debris Investigation
- Life Cycle Analysis and Environmental Impact Assessment for Remanufacturing Decisions
- Innovative Nutrient-Energy-Water Technologies for Circular Bioeconomy in Agriculture

## Activities:

- Hands-on Research Experiences
- Extension and Community Engagement
- Professional Development Workshops
- Symposia and Presentations
- Field Trips and Fun-Filled Weekends

“The REEU program was a great opportunity for me. I was able to gain more experience modeling real world engineering problems while building skills with simulation tools such as Ansys Workbench and Fluent. I would recommend the REEU research program to any student looking to build skills in engineering analysis or to build up relevant experience on their resume.”  
....Cameron Dunlap



**Reward: \$3,100 (Stipend)**

**Housing and Food Expenses Covered**

**Application Materials:** (i) Resume, (ii) Letter of Interest including a 0.5-page Research Summary, (iii) Transcript, and (iv) One Reference Letter (send to [VGude@Purdue.edu](mailto:VGude@Purdue.edu))

## Project Team

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