Set your sights high this summer.

- Explore, design, create, discover at Purdue
- Thrive in a dynamic, creative work environment under the guidance of a professor and graduate student
- Get paid to conduct research
- Network with other creative professionals

Get involved in research and turn ideas into solutions and innovations!

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Purdue University’s Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships (SURF) program is helping undergraduates discover the world of opportunity available to them in science and engineering research. A campus-wide program, SURF is building each year on its own success.

SURF brings undergraduate students into state-of-the-art research laboratories at Purdue, teams them with a faculty member and graduate student mentor, and introduces them to the research tools used on the cutting edges of science, engineering, and technology.

SURF students:
- Receive pay to conduct research for 11 weeks
- Attend research and professional development seminars
- Enjoy social activities with fellow students
- Present a poster of scientific discoveries
- Celebrate at an end-of-summer banquet

The core of the SURF program is to provide students across engineering, science, and technology disciplines a research experience with real-world applications. By working closely with other creative and innovative people, students explore, discover, and transform ideas into reality to advance society and improve people’s lives.

The interdisciplinary nature of discovery allows students to apply the concepts and skills from their own programs, contribute to interdisciplinary projects, and prepare for real-world environments.

The campus setting also provides undergraduate students with an avenue to advance research in an academic environment and in the process, explore graduate study options.

The College of Engineering launched SURF in 2003 to meet the ever-increasing research demands of academia and industry. Using a portion of an unrestricted gift from Purdue alumnus Patrick Wang (BSEE, MSEE ’72), SURF has sought to provide students with a dedicated laboratory experience to strengthen integrated, hands-on learning through discovery.

Since 2003, the SURF program has expanded from 50 students in each of the first two years to 145 students in the summer of 2014. Twenty-one visiting students from 19 institutions enriched the program.

Purdue is one of the nation’s leading research institutions. Founded and named after John Purdue in 1869, Purdue is a statewide university system which includes five campuses and numerous teaching and research sites.

Purdue’s undergraduate and graduate programs consistently rank among the best in the nation. Surveyed employers also consider our alumni among the best prepared and most productive graduates entering the workforce. One of the largest programs in the United States, the College of Engineering encompasses 14 schools, departments, and divisions, with 7,900 undergraduate students,