

Work Learn International Undergraduate Research Award 2017

Would you like to get some research experience in an academic setting? If you are an international undergraduate student with an interest in working on research and development projects at a university, you may be eligible to apply for a UBC International Research Award. The Faculty of Applied Science and UBC are subsidizing 12 engineering professors to hire students on their research projects, thereby creating interesting research-related jobs and giving you the opportunity to gain valuable work experience.

Work Learn International Undergraduate Research Awards are held in the Summer term (May 1 – August 31, over 16 consecutive weeks of full-time work. The latest a student can start working on their award to meet the minimum 16 week requirement is May 11, 2017.

For full information on eligibility, value of the awards, and duration, please refer to the [Work Learn International Undergraduate Research Awards website](#).

How do you find eligible supervisors?

There is a list of eligible faculty members on the APSC website who hold NSERC grants, but any engineering faculty member is eligible to be a research supervisor if they can provide funding from a UBC account. You can review the faculty lists on any engineering department website.

How do you contact eligible faculty members?

Try to create your own research opportunity by contacting a professor you would like to work with and tell them about this program. Many professors will be happy to talk to you about the opportunity to hire you at a subsidized wage. If you find a professor who is interested, ask them to contact Maki Sumitani (apsc.pd@ubc.ca) for more information or give them the link to the information website where there is specific information for project supervisors.

Here are some tips:

- Know what you are going to say: be prepared to talk about your interests, knowledge areas, and lab or volunteer experience. Familiarize yourself with your professor's research subject so you can ask informed questions about it. This will show that you are genuinely interested in helping with the research.
- Bring a copy of your resumé.
- Regardless of whether you get the faculty member to agree to supervisor you for a project or not, thank the professor for their time. A thank-you email would be a nice touch.

How do you apply?

- Complete the application form for international students on our website:
<http://students.engineering.ubc.ca/career/research/>
- Once you have a supervisor that you would like to work with, they will need to give you their contact information and grant number and agree to the title, description and role text on the application form.
- After completing the application form, email a PDF of the form and your PDF format scans of any non-UBC transcripts (including the back page with grading legend) to Maki Sumitani at apsc.pd@ubc.ca.
- **Application Deadline: March 6, 2017 at 4pm**

Questions?

For questions about eligibility: contact an [International Student Advisor](#)

For all other inquiries: contact Maki Sumitani apsc.pd@ubc.ca