

# Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) at Baruch College

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## Description:

The REU site at Baruch College will offer advanced research training for one academic year to 12 undergraduate students who attend four-year colleges and universities in the New York metropolitan area. The program will target students belonging to historically disadvantaged groups. This program provides concentrated research experience in which each student plans and executes an independent project, as well as works with a faculty mentor and their graduate students on existing research projects. Students will develop knowledge and skills in all phases of psychological research, including hypothesis development, research design, data analysis, and scientific writing. Students will present their research at the Baruch REU conference and potentially at national or regional conferences in psychology.

The deadline for applications is **April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007**.

## Eligible Students:

- The REU project will actively recruit students from historically disadvantaged group in psychology (e.g., Asian, Hispanic, African American, disabled, first generation college student). However, students not a member of these groups will be considered and are encouraged to apply.
- Students accepted into the REU program at Baruch will have at least a sophomore standing and a B average in their undergraduate programs. Although students who are not psychology majors may apply to the program, preference will be shown to those who have declared psychology as their official major.
- Each student will have successfully completed an introductory psychology course and at least two content courses in psychology. The content courses include physiological psychology, cognitive psychology, learning theory, personality theory, developmental psychology, or social psychology.
- Students must have completed a course in the research area in which they will be working (e.g., social psychology), a course in statistics, and a course in research methods or must be willing to take these courses during the REU year.
- Students must be enrolled in classes full-time for the duration of the program.
- Students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

## Activities:

- Each REU student will complete an independent research project that is supervised by his or her faculty mentor.
- Each REU student will spend at least 10 hours each week during the fall and spring semesters at Baruch College working as part of a faculty led research team.
- All REU students will enroll in a year-long graduate school preparation course taught at Baruch College.

## Stipend:

- Each student will receive \$1960 for each 14 week semester, in compensation for their time working in the research lab. The program will start in August 2007 and will be completed in May 2008.

## Areas of Research:

- Students may work in one of the following research areas at Baruch: **1) Social Psychology 2) Sleep Research 3) Industrial/Organizational Psychology 4) Developmental Psychology**

## Interested students should contact:

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