**OVERVIEW**

**Human Ecology students who will participate in research with Human Ecology faculty members in the summer of 2017** are invited to apply for a limited number of $4000 stipends. **Students and faculty members must apply jointly.** The selection process is competitive. The stipend provides for the student’s own support while completing **8 weeks of full-time research supervised by a Human Ecology faculty member**. Concurrent enrollment in summer courses is not permitted.

Applicants must be **enrolled as full-time students in Human Ecology in the Spring 2017 term and be in good academic standing. They must also be continuing as full-time Human Ecology undergraduate students in the Fall 2017 term,** though they may be studying in one of Cornell’s off-campus off programs. **The following students are not eligible to apply**: students enrolled in other colleges, Human Ecology students whose research will be supervised by a faculty member in another college, and students who have previously received a Human Ecology funded summer stipend.

The number of awards varies each year depending upon available funding from different sources. Some funding sources specify the qualifications of the student applicant (e.g. major, state of residence, eligibility for employment), topic of the project, and/or qualifications of the faculty research mentor (e.g. department or other funding sources). The College will try to fund as many qualified applicants as possible.

In awarding stipends to qualified applicants, consideration is first given to the quality of the proposal, the endorsement and commitment of the faculty mentor, and the proposal’s match with requirements of the funding sources. Among the other considerations are the student’s past and future involvement in the project, relevance of research activity to student’s academic goals and career plans, student’s graduation year, student’s other support for undergraduate research, and the distribution of awards across Human Ecology faculty members. The selection process is coordinated by the Human Ecology Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Margaret Frey (mfw24).

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

**Faculty application:**

**Complete the required cover sheet and answer 6 questions on the form or in an attached letter. Send these directly to Kenna Snow-Tompkins (kms3) by the deadline. This is a confidential application not to be viewed by the student.**

**Student application:**

**Students should complete the required cover sheet for the student application and provide the other materials as directed on the student application instructions. Students submit one printed copy to Kenna Snow-Tompkins (184 MVR) by the deadline.**

**CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION**

**Faculty Required Cover Sheet**

**Faculty Member Name:**

**Faculty Member Net id:**

**Are you the PI for an active Hatch project? YES NO**

 **If yes, what is the title of the project?**

**Student Name:**

**Student Project Title:**

**Answer the following questions and sign below to indicate your commitment and endorsement of the student’s application.**

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| *I enthusiastically endorse this student’s application. It is a high quality project that is feasible for this student to complete in an 8-week summer research experience.*  | **YES** | **NO** |
| *Other than the student’s stipend, I will provide the funding, accesses, permissions, and any other resources that are necessary to complete the project as planned.* | **YES** | **NO** |
| *I will be responsible for assuring that the student and the project meet all University compliance requirements, such as for travel, IRB, safety, animal use, etc.* |  **YES** | **NO** |
| *I will mentor this student directly and provide supervision for the full time, 8-week experience* | **YES** | **NO** |

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**Faculty signature Date**

**See additional questions on reverse side.**

**Faculty Instructions: Please answer the following 6 questions about the student and the proposed project. Write on this form or attach a separate letter answering all questions.**

1. **Is this student currently working with you?**
* If YES, please briefly describe the nature of this student’s work and comment on his/her stage of development in research, such as research skills and intellectual contributions.
* If NO, please explain how you know this student and why you feel that they would be a strong undergraduate researcher.
1. **How does the proposed project relate to your own work? Describe the student’s intellectual involvement in the proposed project.**
2. **Is this student interested in pursuing an honors program? If yes, are you likely to become the thesis advisor?**
3. **How does this student compare with other undergraduate researchers you have mentored in terms of promise and performance in research?**
4. **Briefly describe how you will directly mentor the student and provide supervision for his/her work during the 8-week full-time research experience.**
5. **OPTIONAL. Please add any other information that you think would help us evaluate this student’s application.**