**OVERVIEW**

**Human Ecology students who will participate in research with Human Ecology faculty members in the summer of 2021** are invited to apply for a limited number of $5000 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 2021 term and be in good academic standing. They must also be continuing as full-time Human Ecology undergraduate students in the Fall 2021 term.**  **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, Marianella Casasola (mc272).

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

**Note if the project can be conducted remotely if needed-- Yes No**

**Student application:**

**Students should complete the required cover sheet and provide the other materials as directed on the student application instructions. Students submit electronically to Kenna Snow-Tompkins by the deadline. Students should work with their faculty mentor to prepare the 2-3 page proposal, and the faculty member should approve the proposal before it is submitted. The faculty member needs to submit a separate application directly to Kenna Snow-Tompkins by the deadline. The faculty application instruction and form are available at**

https://www.human.cornell.edu/research/undergraduate

**REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS (One electronic copy of all of the following materials)**

1. **Cover sheet in required format (see template on next page)**
2. **Proposal (about 2-3 pages) written for academic reviewer outside your field that provides the following information:** 
   1. **Project title**
   2. **Objectives and significance**
   3. **Brief review of literature**
   4. **Methodology (provide detail adequate to evaluate quality and probability of completion; indicate status of any necessary compliance trainings or approvals (e.g. IRB) to proceed with the work)**
   5. **Timeline and current stage of research**
   6. **Budget and funding sources for research project expenses (other than the stipend)**
3. **Personal statement (not to exceed 1 page) of how the research project relates to your academic goals and career plans. Indicate your prior experiences in research and if the summer research is related to an honors project.**
4. **Unofficial copy of Cornell transcript**
5. **Do you now have or have you previously received a financial award (such as a stipend, fellowship, grant, or financial aid) from Cornell for your own support to conduct research while an undergraduate student? You do not need to report paid employment. If yes, please describe the source, date, and amount of this award.**
6. **Resume**

**Required Cover Sheet Format**

**Student’s Full Name:**

**Cornell net id:**

**Project title:**

**Faculty research mentor:**

**Date of matriculation in Human Ecology:**

**Expected graduation date:**

**Cumulative GPA:**

**Human Ecology Major:**

**Local address:**

**Local phone:**

**E-mail address:**

**State of residence:**

**Are you eligible to be employed at Cornell University? YES NO**

**Is the proposed work related to applicant’s honors thesis? YES NO**

**Signed Statement:**

*I verify that materials I have presented are an honest, accurate, and complete representation of my credentials and summer research plan. I understand that acceptance of the summer stipend requires full-time research for 8 weeks with my faculty mentor and that I may not be enrolled in courses during this time. I understand that a project report will be required at the end of the summer.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: