**SURE Supplement: Language and Budget for Proposals**

**WVU Researchers:** If you are writing a proposal and would like to include in some funding to support summer undergraduate researchers (1-2) as SURE participants, with those participants being included in much of the SURE programming, language for your proposal is given below. Modify this language as you see fit to include within the constraints of your proposal. If you have any questions, please contact The Office of Undergraduate Research ([undergradresearch@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:undergradresearch@mail.wvu.edu)).

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To aid us in our research endeavors and to contribute to the development of a scientifically literate U.S. workforce, we request funding for two undergraduate researchers per summer for two years. By providing students with the opportunity to engage in cutting-edge research full-time during the summer months, students’ undergraduate experiences are enriched beyond the classroom. This will aid in retention of these students within their majors and will motivate them to attend graduate school in a STEM discipline. Each summer for two years, we expect to support two students in an 8-week summer undergraduate research experience. In addition to carrying out research of relevance to this grant application, the students will experience a comprehensive training program to move them toward intellectual and research independence. The WVU Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) has developed and offers this training program (via a 1-credit research course) to all undergraduates involved in research at WVU during the summer months. OUR offers a series of activities (e.g., trainings in responsible conduct of research, safe handling of chemicals, laboratory safety, and use of scientific search engines), workshops (e.g., grant writing, oral/poster presentation of research, STEM outreach, GRE test taking, prestigious scholarships, graduate school roundtable), and visiting speakers (e.g., from governmental, industrial, and academic laboratories) to improve undergraduate researchers’ competencies in communication, collaboration, and technical presentation skills. In addition, the students will participate and deliver poster presentations during the culminating, university-wide “Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium” organized by the Office of Undergraduate Research.

**SURE Supplement Budget (based on 2 participants per summer for two years)**

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| **Description** | **# Participants** |  | **Year 1** |  | **Year 2** |
| Participant Costs |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Stipends ($3900 for 8 wks) | 2 | $3,900.00 | $7,800.00 |  | $7,800.00 |
| 2. Research Course (1-credit tuition: in-state = $266; out-of-state = $841) | 2 (assumes 1 in-state and 1 out-of-state) |  | $1,107.00 | 4% inflation | $1,151.28 |
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| 4. Insurance ($0.30x69 days) | 2 | $20.70 | $41.40 | 4% inflation | $43.06 |
| 4. Registration for & travel to research meeting or shared research facilities (SRF) fees | 2 | $600.00 | $1,200.00 | 4% inflation | $1,248.00 |
| 4. Poster Printing ($29.4/2 posters) | 2 | $29.40 | $58.80 | 4% inflation | $61.15 |
| 4. Poster Symposium Fee (culminating WVU Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium) | 2 | $62.00 | $124.00 | 4% inflation | $128.96 |
| **4. Total Other Participant Costs** |  |  | **$1,424.20** |  | **$1,481.17** |
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| **Total Participant Cost** |  |  | **$10,331.20** |  | **$10,432.45** |
| NOTE: Participant costs can be reduced by deleting some of the 4. Total Other Participant Costs e.g., registration for/travel to conference or SRF fees) |  |  |  |  |  |
| NOTE: Some funding agencies will not pay for student tuition so check with your funding agency. Once students are enrolled in the 1-credit summer research course, they obtain WVU Mountaineer Cards and then have access to all WVU facilities, including the WVU Student Rec Center. |  |  |  |  |  |

\*Non-WVU students must apply as transient students (and pay the fee) before enrolling in the 1-credit research course.