Understanding Coastal Ecosystems – From the Everglades to the Coral Reefs Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Site

APPLICATION FORM: Summer 2023

We have availability and funding for twenty (20) applicants
Stipend: $6000 / Food: $1,200
(Airfare & Accommodations provided)

Eligibility criteria:

- Potential REU's **must** be U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or permanent residents of the United States.
- Applicants **must** plan to attend the entire 10-week program (**May 22, 2023 through July 28, 2023**). No exceptions. All in-person attendance.
- Applicants **must** plan to be full-time students enrolled in a college/university for at least one semester <u>after</u> the summer program (e.g., Fall 2023).
- Applicants should be undergraduate students in **the discipline/major** related to the Mentors project list that is chosen.
- Applicants **should have** completed at least two semesters of coursework in environment-related topics.
- Applicants **cannot be enrolled in summer coursework** while enrolled in the NSF Site REU program or work a part-time job.
- Applicants must **attend and participate** in the professional development workshops that occur 1x a week.
- Applicants must fulfill program objectives completely, to **receive the full stipend** (Awarded in three (3) installments: beginning, middle, end).

Applicant Contact Information

- Name:
- Address:
- E-mail:
- Phone:

Education

- <u>Current</u> Institution:
- Major:
- Anticipated date of graduation:
- Institution from which you plan to graduate:

- Please list five (5) courses that you have taken <u>that have prepared</u> you to be an NSF REU participant:
  - 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
  - 5

- Please submit an <u>unofficial</u> copy of all relevant college transcripts.
- List your top three (3) Mentor Choices / Project of Interest

	Mentor	Project of Interest
1.		
2.		
3.		

Other Information *(Briefly respond to these 4 questions)*

1. Which Coastal Ecosystems research area(s)/topic(s) would most interest you? Please indicate if you have a preferred faculty research mentor and briefly explain your choice. (*Limit 250 words*). *See* *(Mentor Tab)* *for a list of this year's project areas and Mentor profiles*

2. Briefly describe your post-graduation career/education goals. (*Limit 250 words*).

3. Briefly explain how participation in the Coastal Ecosystems REU Site program would assist you in advancing toward your career goals. (*Limit 250 words*).

4. Briefly describe any previous research or other relevant experience that qualifies you to pursue this research fellowship opportunity (*Limit 250 words*).

Please complete this form and email a pdf of the signed version and attached transcript to *CoastalREU@fiu.edu*. *No letters of recommendation are necessary. Application window*

*opens **December 3rd, 2022 - February 3rd, 2023.** No applications will be accepted beyond these dates!*

Here is a list of important dates to remember:

IMPORTANT DATES
Application: Dec 5th – February 3rd
Application Reviewed: Month of February
March 1 – 10: <u>Mentors will interview</u> top candidates
Mid-March: Candidates will be notified of acceptances/rejections
Program Dates: May 22nd – July 28th (10 weeks)
Welcome Orientation: Monday May 22nd, 2023
Final Symposium & Poster Session: Thursday July 27th (28th), 2023

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Applicant Signature   **Date**