SURE & GIFT
MENTOR INTEREST FORM

If you are interested in mentoring an undergraduate student or Atlanta schoolteacher in your lab next summer, please return this form to us asap.

PROGRAM DATES FOR YEAR 2002:
GIFT program for Teachers: to be announced
SURE program for Undergraduates: May 28 – August 2, 2002

Thank you for helping update our mentor database!

1. Name: __________________________
2. Position: ____ Faculty ____ Post-doctoral Fellow ____ Other: __________________________
3. Location of research facility (e.g. Rollins Res. Ctr. at Emory, Kell Hall at GA State, MRC at Morehouse Med., etc.):
________________________________________________________________________________
4. Telephone number: (____) __________________ Fax number: (____) __________________
5. E-mail address __________________
6. Web site home page address (if any): __________________
7. Please circle a number 0 1 2 3 to indicate how many students you wish to mentor during the summer 2001 program. Indicate whether you prefer to host students [check all that apply]:
____ from your own institution ____ from Atlanta institutions only ____ from any institution
____ I am also interested in mentoring undergraduates during the school year.
8. Are you willing to apply for supplemental funds through your current grant(s)? [NIH will support African-American, Hispanic, Native American and Pacific Islanders; NSF will support any undergraduate.] [Yes ______ No ______]
9. Please briefly describe a project or projects in which the student might participate. Also describe your research interests (attach additional pages as needed).
________________________________________________________________________________
10. We also sponsor a program for Atlanta-area teachers (GIFT) which allows them to conduct summer research and expand their classroom resources and curriculum. Would you like additional information? [Yes ______ No ______]
11. What area(s) best describe(s) your research (e.g., cell biology, biochemistry, etc.): __________________________
12. I may be interested in helping review SURE applications; please contact me. [Yes ______ No ______]

MENTOR WEB PAGE PROJECT

We hope to create a web page for each available undergraduate research mentor; this information will be available year-round and will be useful to many members of our community. Please indicate the type of information you would like available in your ScienceNET web page (or in a mentor listings available through our ScienceNET web site):

__ Your name, position, affiliation (dept. & institution), research interests, and possible undergraduate research projects
__ Phone number ______ Fax ______ E-Mail ______ Campus mail address
__ Do not create a page for me ______ Use URL listed above.
__ Please list the following URL to my web site: __________________________

return completed form to:
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A message from the Center for Science Education...
Dear Researcher:

We are updating our mentor database in preparation for our year 2002 summer programs, programs for which faculty mentorship is critical. The enclosed form will allow you to convey your interest in participating. The SURE program offers research opportunities to undergraduates, while the GIFT program offers research, curriculum and professional development opportunities for Atlanta-area science teachers.

We hope to advertise possible research opportunities by creating web-based “posters” for each interested researcher. This information will be available year-round, and will simplify mentor identification for out-of-state SURE applicants and for Atlanta-area students pursuing research for credit. We will not release your contact information or e-mail address through our web page without your permission.

Please share this request and the attached form with interested persons in your department.

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Mentor Responsibilities

SURE Mentors have the following responsibilities towards their students & the SURE program:

• attend initial program planning meeting
• apply for NIH and NSF supplements if appropriate to extend Hughes funds
• provide students with background materials (with copies to the Hughes Office) at least one month prior to the SURE opening date
• help define the student project goals and objectives
• communicate their expectations to the student researcher
• meet at least biweekly with the student researcher to provide feedback and guidance
• offer guidance in symposium poster/talk preparation; if possible, attend symposium
• complete program evaluation forms upon the program’s conclusion
• use LearnLink [all mentors will have access to this e-mail and conference system] to remain informed of program announcements & activities

Undergraduate Research Mentors (supervising Research for Credit) have responsibilities described elsewhere. Please discuss arrangements and expectations with your student.

Center for Behavioral Neuroscience

As you may know, a consortium of Atlanta-area institutions (Atlanta University Center, Emory University, Georgia Institute of Technology, and Georgia State University) successfully submitted a proposal to the National Science Foundation for the creation of a Science and Technology Center. This award features a significant education component, including undergraduate research opportunities for our students. Because these schools already allow their students to cross-register, we are encouraging students to use the SURE program as a starting or continuation point for cross-institution research for credit during the academic year. We will be encouraging Atlanta-area students to contact Atlanta-area researchers (preferably at other institutions) so that together you may submit a research proposal outlining the student’s summer research experience. Applications from Atlanta-area students that include research proposals will receive special attention. For Center information, visit http://www.cbn-atl.org

If you have any questions about this initiative, please feel free to contact us.

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