

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH GRANTS

Student:

(Printed Name)

(Signature)

Mentoring Faculty:

(Printed Name)

(Signature)

Summer 2026

Purpose Statement: Personal stipends and ancillary expenses for undergraduate majors in physics and/or astronomy who undertake research projects under faculty guidance. These undergraduate research grants are based on a brief written proposal by the student and an endorsement by a mentoring member of the faculty of the Department of Physics and Astronomy. The top applicants will receive the Van Allen Research Grant (\$3,000 stipend). All others will be considered for the Charles A. Wert Education Fund (\$2,500 stipend). Funding applies to work conducted during the summer.

NAME: _____

Application

Please attach a two-page application (1-inch margins, 12 point font, single spaced) with the following components:

- Research problem and background
- Scientific approach
- Tasks to be performed
- Timeline
- Expected Outcomes

Final Report

If you receive the research grant, you are expected to write a 1-2 page final report (1-inch margins, 12 point font, single spaced) summarizing your research results for the summer. This final report is due prior to the first day of classes in the fall. This report is forwarded to the sponsors.

I accept and understand as the requesting student that if for any reason I cannot fulfill my obligation, I will contact my mentoring faculty member & department DEO immediately.

Due 4/6 to The Department of Physics & Astronomy via email @ physics-astronomy@uiowa.edu

Recipients to be announced mid-April