

Application Instructions

Urban Water Sustainability Research Experience for Undergraduates

Application Due: February 5, 2021

Please fill out the online application with all current contact and education information.

Before filling out this application please make sure you have:

- An electronic copy of your most recent unofficial college transcript (will need to be uploaded in the application)
- An electronic copy of your unofficial high school transcript (will need to be uploaded in the application)
- The names and contact information for two recommendations (college professor or high school teacher)

Have your two references send their recommendation letters to Ela Bialkowska-Jelinska via email: elzbieta@mail.usf.edu

The letters will need to be signed and on official letterhead from the references institution.

Letters need to be received by **February 5th, 2021!**

REU participants must be U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or permanent residents of the United States.

Additionally you will be required to answer the following short answer/essay questions:

- What extra-curricular and/or community service activities have you been involved in?
- Please write a brief statement (no more than 200 words) describing any research experience you have had, e.g., research courses, research projects, and other related experiences. The quality of your writing as well as the content of your answer will be evaluated as part of the selection process. It is understood that as a sophomore you may not have this experience, so not applicable (n/a) is an acceptable answer.
- Please write a brief statement (approximately 200-300 words) describing your educational and career goals, how the Urban Water Sustainability REU will help you in pursuing those goals, and specifically why you are interested in this REU.
- You should also describe (approximately 200-300 words) which of the four projects you find most compelling. Please note that the quality of your writing will be evaluated as part of the selection process.
- Please provide any other information you would like us to consider as part of your application, including (but not limited to) honors, awards, and specialized skills (SPSS, Access, GIS, web programming, computer programming). Again, it is not expected that at this stage in your college career that you have accumulated many skills.