

Comparison of CUSP Summer Enhancement Fellowship opportunities available for Summer 2025 and checklist of requirements. The Summer Enhancement Fellowship (SEF) is a competitive grant that secures partial financial support for Scholars who wish to conduct independent research with a faculty member, undertake a creative project of their choosing, or to secure an internship or participate in a specific research activity. This opportunity is secured solely by the student. For more information and frequently asked questions, visit:

<https://www.cc-seas.columbia.edu/scholars/fellowships>

Fellowship Opportunity:	INDEPENDENT RESEARCH & CREATIVE PROJECTS GRANT	INTERNSHIPS & RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS GRANT																																																		
Criteria for eligibility:	<p>To be considered for either grant, applicants must:</p> <p>(1) have a GPA of at least 3.0</p> <p>(2) be in good academic standing with Columbia College and the School of Engineering</p> <p>(3) be in good standing with CUSP</p> <p>(4) have attended all Mandatory Events, as well as 8 (EIGHT) CUSP Enrichment Events for the current academic year</p>																																																			
You should apply if seeking to:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage in the methodological framework of academic research or develop a creative project Develop skills for formal academic writing, research, and collaboration with an academic mentor Sustain a serious commitment that will build a foundation for an undergraduate thesis or graduate degree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in an internship or a structured research opportunity (e.g., conference, symposium, travel) Work under the guidance of a faculty member or organization with a currently established project or program 																																																		
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If accepted, you are committing to these CUSP requirements in addition to your individualized project/internship objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing blog posts (e.g. narrative text and supporting visuals) for the CUSP edu-blog on a weekly basis during the summer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading and commenting on blog posts of your SEF peers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Posting a project abstract as your final blog entry Presenting about your SEF experience at relevant student events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintaining and submitting expense records 																																																			

* Workshop 1 agenda: key elements of project design and proposal development, research compliance (RASCAL/IRB)

** Workshop 2 agenda: proposal feedback (workshop date determined by individual GSM)

^T All undergraduates participating in international travel are required to apply for School Sponsorship.

For more info see: www.cc-seas.columbia.edu/travelpolicy/policy

^{§§} Although strongly encouraged, final confirmation of internship or assistantship placement is not required at time of application submission