MORE THAN A RESEARCH EXPERIENCE.

Take a moment to explore two summer work opportunities with the Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP), directly affiliated with MSU Graduate School, Office for Graduate Student Affairs. Learn More About SROP

Positions outlined below are for SROP Talk Facilitators and SROP Writing Facilitators.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, January 22, 2013

To apply: Email Steven Thomas at deshawn@grd.msu.edu and include the title of the position in the subject line.

SROP Talk Facilitators

SROP Talks are designed to help MSU SROP participants stay on track to complete quality research projects. Each week, the MSU SROP cohort will convene and present the weekly findings of their research. This activity not only helps students stay on track to complete their project, but also engages them in the act of presenting their findings across disciplinary lines. These weekly meetings are in "chalk talk" format, where students are only allowed to use a chalk board to explain their findings (no electronic aids or supplemental materials allowed).

MSU SROP seeks advanced graduate students in STEM (science, technology, engineering), SBE (social, behavioral, and economic) and agricultural sciences to facilitate MSU SROP talk sessions. Interested students must commit to being facilitators for the duration of the summer program. The job of the facilitators during these sessions will be to give SROP participants critical feedback on their work including pointers on how they can improve their oral presentation skills.

Interested students should be available to commit 2 hours per week to the sessions. SROP Talks will take place weekly (usually Wednesday nights 7pm) June through July:
- Wednesday, June 5
- Wednesday, June 12
- Wednesday, June 19
- Wednesday, June 26
- Wednesday, July 10
- Wednesday, July 17
- Monday, July 22
- Tuesday, July 23

Selected graduate students will be compensated $25/hour for their time.

SROP Writing Facilitators

The MSU SROP Writing Enhancement Component is designed to help students hone in on their technical and creative writing skills. This workshop series will help students not only understand purpose of a research paper, but also analyze information for general audience. Students will also be provided strategies needed to develop eloquent personal statements and GRE writing samples for graduate school admission.

MSU SROP Writing Facilitators must commit 2 hours for the MSU SROP Technical Writing Workshops sessions. The scheduled sessions for 2013 will take place on the following days in Synder-Phillips:
- Tuesday May 28, 1:30 - 3:30pm
- Thursday, June 18, 7 - 9pm
- Thursday, July 27, 7 - 9pm
- Tuesday, July 9, 7 - 9pm

There will also be a Personal Statement and GRE Writing Sample workshop on Saturday, June 29, 2pm - 4 pm.

In addition to attending 5 workshop sessions above, facilitators will be responsible for providing written feedback on student submissions of the following documents:
- Prospectus (abstracts)
- Technical Paper Drafts 1 & 2
- GRE Writing Samples
- Personal Statements

To accept this invitation, you must commit to all of the above listed dates. You will be compensated $800 for your time during the summer.

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