



Hamel Center for Undergraduate Research

International Research Opportunities Program (IROP) Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Abroad

FOREIGN MENTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Foreign mentors for IROP or SURF Abroad students should be prepared to do the following:

1. In collaboration with the UNH faculty mentor and the prospective undergraduate researcher, identify one (or more) potential research projects, taking into consideration the following:
 - a. Is the project appropriate for an undergraduate?
 - b. Is the project manageable within the nine-week timeframe?
 - c. Will the project enhance the student's grasp of the discipline?
 - d. Will the student be introduced to all aspects of the project, including research design and interpretation/analysis of the findings?
2. Determine what the student will need to know before undertaking this project (e.g., course work, research methods, research skills/techniques, articles/books, language facility).
3. Communicate with the UNH faculty mentor and the student as they prepare the research proposal and consult about the preparation the student should undertake to ensure s/he will be ready to accomplish the research objectives.
4. Consult with the UNH faculty mentor, and most especially the student, about the cultural preparation the student should undertake to engage fully the experience of working in another country.
5. Help the student locate suitable, safe, and affordable room/board for the nine-week research period.
6. Compose a letter/e-mail to the International Research Coordinator indicating your role in the conception of the research plan and your willingness to direct that research, as well as to look after the welfare of the student while s/he is in your country. Submit this to georgeann.murphy@unh.edu by the application deadline.
7. Make arrangements to meet the student soon after arrival in your country, and communicate periodically with the UNH faculty mentor during the research period.
8. Complete an electronic evaluation of the research experience and the program when contacted by the International Research Coordinator at the end of the research period.

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