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Physical Science: Donald Pierce

Dear Donald,

Congratulations on being named a recipient of a Dean's Undergraduate Research Fund Grant for Fall 2017. You will receive a grant award to be used toward the expenses you outlined in your budget. The final amount will be determined after you submit a revised budget. You will receive instructions regarding revising your budget in a separate email.

The Committee determined that your proposal was excellent in most respects, and that both you and your advisor made a compelling case for the significance of the research. The Committee felt it would have been helpful had you stated the metric being used to evaluate the algorithms. Overall, the review committee concluded that the project was well thought out and well planned.

The Committee wishes you all the best as you move forward on this project.

In order to initiate the process of receiving your DURF funds, please email the account number for your mentor's lab (and the exact name on the account) to Deborah Lubanga at deborah.lubanga@nyu.edu. The deadline to submit the account information is December 4, 2017. The grant money will be deposited directly into your mentor's account. This is the standard distribution method for most science DURF grants, although if there is a compelling reason why the check should be made out to you personally, please email the reason to the same address. After a review of the request, the appropriate paperwork will be sent to you instead.

Please remember that you are required to submit the attached Grant Report regarding the state of your project and how the funds were used no later than May 7, 2018. In the spring you must also submit an abstract to be printed in the College's undergraduate research journal, *Inquiry*, and present your research findings at the Undergraduate Research Conference in April 2018. Further information will be sent to you regarding this process during the next semester.

Again, congratulations on this prestigious and competitive award and best of luck with your research. Please be in touch if I can be of assistance going forward.

Sincerely,

Joel S. Ward, Ph.D.

Assistant Dean for Students