**Maine EPSCoR at the University of Maine**

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**Maine EPSCoR High School Research Internship Program 2016 Application**

**Submission deadline: February 26, 2016**

**High School**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Current Grade**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Name**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Email**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Student Phone**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Home Mailing Address**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (Street/PO Box) (City) (Zip Code)

**Parent/Guardian Name(s)**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Email**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent/Guardian Phone**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification document form upon hire.* ***Priority will be given to students who are completing their junior year.***

**Indicate your potential research interests in order of preference**. This will be used to match you with a research mentor. Examples are: chemistry, marine science, engineering, economics, food science, etc. (Note that exact mentor matches cannot be guaranteed.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If selected, students must be available to commit **a minimum of 7 weeks** to this internship. Students not able to work a minimum of 7 weeks will not be eligible. To help us plan, please indicate with an **X** below which dates you know you are NOT available:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| June |  | July |  | August |
| S | M | T | W | Th | F | S |  | S | M | T | W | Th | F | S |  | S | M | T | W | Th | F | S |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | **X** | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |  | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |  | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |  |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |  | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  |  |  | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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**Essay Questions:** Please answer both questions on **one single,** separate attached page in 12 pt. font, single spaced with a minimum 1-inch margin. **Any applications submitted not adhering to the above guidelines will be rejected.**

**Q1.** Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school.

**Q2**. Who in your life has been your biggest influence and why?

**STUDENT & PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT:**

We have read this application and the description of the program, and understand the program’s purposes and selection criteria. We acknowledge that if the student is selected, they are expected to participate for the full 7 weeks of the summer program. We understand that students will likely be working in research laboratories and/or doing field work, and that they will be required to adhere to all University of Maine regulations regarding training, safety, and laboratory practices. We also certify that the information in this application is accurate and has not been purposefully misrepresented, and that essays are student-created and original. By signing below, we are granting permission for the student to participate in this program if selected.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Application Checklist:** Please check that you have included the following in your application packet:

\_\_\_ Completed and signed application

\_\_\_ A separate page attached with answers to the two essay questions

\_\_\_ A copy of your current professional/academic resume

\_\_\_ A copy of your current high school transcript

\_\_\_ A recommendation letter and form in a sealed envelope from a teacher (Please check here if sending separately: \_\_\_)

**Your application packet should submitted by the February 26, 2016 deadline to:**

Maine EPSCoR High School Research Internship Program

University of Maine, 5717 Corbett Hall, Room 444, Orono, ME 04469-5717

OR email to: maine.epscor@maine.edu with the subject “High School Internship Application”

**Notification:** Students will be notified of their selection status by April 1, 2016.

Need more information? See <http://www.umaine.edu/epscor>

Or contact Program Coordinator Dr. Barbara Cole at (207)-581-1188, barbara.cole@umit.maine.edu



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**Teacher Recommendation**

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This program provides Maine high school students with a paid, hands-on opportunity to participate in cutting edge research with faculty, postdocs, and graduate students at the University of Maine in Orono. Students can gain real-world experience in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) fields. This research experience provides an excellent opportunity to explore potential STEM careers, learn new skills, and gain valuable work experience in research.

Thank you for taking the time to provide your student with a letter of recommendation in support of their application to this program. In addition, we ask that you please fill out the following survey to help the reviewers better assess your student’s eligibility.

Student name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please rank the student on the following criteria (1 being very low, 5 being very high):

\_\_\_\_Independent worker \_\_\_\_Ability to work well in groups

\_\_\_\_Ability to think independently \_\_\_\_Maturity

\_\_\_\_STEM background that denotes a dedication to the STEM fields

\_\_\_\_Ability to handle scientific equipment carefully and safely

\_\_\_\_Responsibility, with respect to attendance and handing in work on time

Please provide examples or support of responses above here or in your letter:

Overall recommendation:

\_\_\_\_I do not recommend this student for this program

\_\_\_\_I recommend this student, but with reservations described below

\_\_\_\_I recommend this student without reservations

Please return this form along with your letter of recommendation to your student or send both to:

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