

# 2026 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

## DYSON COLLEGE SUMMER RESEARCH AWARDS

*Deadline to apply—Wednesday, April 22, 2026*

The Dyson College Dean's Office is pleased to announce for Summer 2026 the availability of two programs supporting research and creative expression at both campuses.

### **Faculty Research Grants**

This program will provide funding directly to full-time faculty for research support. The funds may be used for travel expenses related to research; for research supplies and/or equipment; and to pay for a student research assistant. Grant requests may be made up to \$1,000 per faculty member. Actual awards will depend upon availability of funds.

### **Undergraduate Student-Faculty Research Initiatives**

This program will provide support for a student to engage in a summer research project with a faculty mentor. The award will provide a \$2,000 stipend for the student and \$500 in supplies for the faculty mentor.

Faculty and students interested in applying should forward their applications by email with department chairperson approval to Norma Quiridumbay at [nquiridumbay@pace.edu](mailto:nquiridumbay@pace.edu) by Wednesday, April 22, 2026.

# ***DYSON COLLEGE SUMMER 2026 FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION***

**Evaluation:** Proposals for faculty will be evaluated for:

- 1) the scholarly merits of the proposal
- 2) the likelihood the research effort will lead to a publication or another form of public dissemination
- 3) the extent to which the project will enhance the scholarly reputation of the individual, department, Dyson College, and Pace University

**Eligibility:** All full-time Dyson College faculty are eligible to apply for these grants.

**Format:**

- I. Completion of Application Cover Sheet
- II. The proposal should be 2-3 pages long and include:
  - Abstract/description of proposed project and relevance to field
  - Itemized budget
  - Timetable for completion
  - Projected outcomes
  - List prior Dyson Summer Research Grants received
  - List funds from other sources supporting this project

The following conditions apply:

- the award will not support a faculty stipend
- the award will not support conference travel, but may fund travel in support of site-based research, for example at the Library of Congress
- award recipients may teach at Pace University during the summer, but may not accept teaching assignments elsewhere
- award will not support publication processing fees
- research work funded must be completed by **September 15, 2026**
- all receipts must be submitted for award reimbursement no later than **October 31, 2026**

**APPLICATION FORM  
DYSON COLLEGE SUMMER 2026  
FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT**

Name of Faculty Member: \_\_\_\_\_ U# \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Amount:	\$ _____	(may not exceed \$1,000)
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Faculty Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Chair's Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)/or approval by email

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO NORMA QUIRIDUMBAY AT  
[nquiridumbay@pace.edu](mailto:nquiridumbay@pace.edu)  
NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026**

***DYSON COLLEGE SUMMER 2026***  
***UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT-FACULTY RESEARCH INITIATIVES***  
**GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION**

**Program Description:** This is a summer research program for undergraduate students who have completed their sophomore or junior year. The goal of this program is to support faculty-mentored undergraduate research or artistic projects. Projects may commence in mid-May and conclude at the end of August with specific project time frames determined by faculty mentors and students.

**Award Structure:** Student awardees will receive a stipend of \$2,000, and the faculty mentor will receive \$500 for supplies.

**Requirements:** Students are expected to:

- (a) attend a program orientation, mid-summer check-in, and concluding meeting
- (b) meet all university research requirements that include:
  - Submitting Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval for research involving human subjects
  - Submitting Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) approval for research involving animals
  - Submitting Pace legal consent forms completed for any research artistic projects which include identifiable images and/or interviews as part of the project
- \* IRB or IACUC approvals and completed consent forms must be submitted to award supervisory staff.
- (c) weekly work on project and meet with faculty mentor
- (d) write reflections about the research experience
- (e) submit the research paper or artistic project at the program conclusion
- (f) present project outcomes at the virtual Fall 2026 Undergraduate Research Presentation Series and at the in-person Dyson Society of Fellows Annual Meeting in Spring 2027

**Eligibility:** Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- be full-time undergraduate student in Dyson College
  - be entering junior or senior year in Fall 2026
  - have successfully completed introductory courses in the proposed project field
  - meet a minimum 3.0 QPA (overall quality point average) in the field of the proposed research
  - have a full-time faculty sponsor willing to mentor the summer project
- Any exception to academic eligibility requirements must be addressed in both the student application and faculty recommendation.

**Evaluation:** Proposals will be judged on:

- 1) the scholarly merits of the proposal and the clarity of the student role in the research/creative inquiry project
- 2) the likelihood that the research effort will lead to publication or other form of public dissemination
- 3) the extent to which the project will enhance the scholarly reputation of the individual, department, Dyson College and Pace University
- 4) the supportive learning environment provided to the student by both the mentor and the department. Due to the strong competition for these awards in recent years, priority will be given to those projects that consist of original student scholarship and lead to publication. *Additionally, projects **must be designed for completion by the end of the summer.***

**Application Instructions:** A complete application will consist of the following:

- Application Form *with required signatures or approvals by email*
- Personal Statement (up to 500 words) that explains the student's reasons for applying to this program and how the student's career plans connect to the proposed project. Include any prior research or practical experience related to the proposed project and/or field of study
- Abstract (up to 500 words) written from the student's perspective describing the project to be conducted for Summer 2026
- Student resume
- *An unofficial student transcript* that can be accessed at MyPace Portal
- Letter of recommendation from the full-time faculty mentor  
This letter must explicitly describe the student role in the proposed project, expected outcomes, and a commitment from the faculty member to mentor the student throughout the project period.

**APPLICATION FORM**  
***DYSON COLLEGE SUMMER 2026 UNDERGRADUATE***  
***STUDENT-FACULTY RESEARCH INITIATIVES***

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ U#: \_\_\_\_\_

Pace Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year in Fall 2026: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Email: \_\_\_\_\_ QPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Full-Time Student: Yes  | No

Student Major (and Minor if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Previous student research experience (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_ Mentor Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Academic Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Chair Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Student submits:** Application Form, Personal Statement, Abstract, Resume, and Unofficial Transcript

**Faculty Mentor submits:** Letter of Recommendation

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I have read and agree to the terms outlined in the Guidelines for this program.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)/or email approval

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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