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Summer Jobs for Math Students: Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)



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Abstract: The United States National Science Foundation (NSF) funds many research opportunities for undergraduates through its REU Sites program. An REU Site consists of a group of ten or so undergraduates who work in the research programs of the host institution. Each student is associated with a specific project, where he/she works closely with faculty and other researchers. Students are granted stipends and, in many cases, assistance with housing and travel. Undergraduates supported with NSF funds must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States or its possessions. The speaker will give advice on how to apply for REU jobs.

Biography of Speaker: Professor Hoffman received his PhD in Mathematics from Harvard University and has been at LSU since 1979. He is a noted researcher in algebraic geometry, and is one of three professors who organize the LSU math REU.

All undergrads are invited. Refreshments will be provided. Recent REU students will be on hand to answer questions. See http://www.ams.org/employment/reu.html for specifics.