The University Honors Program will offer 20 undergraduate summer research fellowships to Honors students, in the amount of $3500 each, on a competitive basis for research to be performed June-August 2019. In most cases the research will be performed on Marquette’s campus, but residence at Marquette is not required, and students have done Honors research projects in other parts of the country or abroad. To be eligible for the stipends, which will be paid in lump sums at the beginning of the summer and can be used for any kind of cost, from materials to travel to rent, all students must have faculty mentors who agree to supervise their projects. Research in the Health Sciences or Biological Sciences Summer Research Programs (or other summer research programs at Marquette) is appropriate for these stipends.

All applications will be reviewed by a panel of faculty with representation from the humanities, sciences, and social sciences. The Honors Program has access to applicants’ transcripts, which will be consulted during review of applications.

Acceptance of the funding acknowledges your agreement to present your independent research at the Honors Program Research Fair to be scheduled in the 2018 fall semester. Participation in this Research Fair is required for all fellowship winners. Students who accept Honors research fellowships must be planning to return to Marquette in the fall.

Applications are due Friday, March 8 by 5:00 pm.
An information session and workshop on how to write successful proposals will be held Wednesday, February 6 at 4 pm, Lalumiere 380. Attendance is very strongly encouraged for students who plan to apply for these fellowships.

All successful proposals will focus on a question that the researcher is trying to answer. This question should be particular to the project; that is, for this fellowship a student should not simply be a research assistant or a lab member, but should develop a research question of his or her own (although especially in the case of lab research, of course that question will be related to and probably dependent on the lab’s overall research agenda). See Proposal Materials below for more guidance.

Proposal Materials:
If you’d like to be considered for an Honors summer research stipend, please submit the following electronically to amelia.zurcher@mu.edu by Friday, March 8.

- A 2 page, single-spaced description of your research project with the following information.  
  The student may consult with the faculty mentor about the description, but the description should be written by the student her- or himself.  
  o Name and college/major, project title, and faculty advisor’s name.  
  o Project Goal(s) or Aim(s): At the top of your proposal, provide a statement of your research question, and a description of what you intend to discover, create, or invent to answer that question.  
  o Project Background and Significance: Provide an introduction that puts the question in its academic, disciplinary, or professional context and explains why it is important
and creates new knowledge. Why is this question significant, why do we need to know the answer to it? Use scholarly references to briefly review the scholarly context for your question.

- **Methods:** Describe the steps you will take to complete your project and answer your question, and explain why each step is necessary. Methods differ from project to project. They may include conducting laboratory experiments, fielding surveys, interviewing key informants, analyzing critical texts or artifacts, viewing related performances, or traveling to specific field locations or archives. Include a brief timeline for completing your project during the summer.

- **References:** Include a reference list in the citation format appropriate to the field of study. It does not count in the page limit.

  - Student’s current curriculum vita (CV)
  - Statement detailing any other fellowships applied for and/or received for this project, from any source, external or internal; plus, any other funds of any kind you expect to receive from Marquette, including fellowships and wages (because there is a federal limit, for students receiving financial aid, on how much they may receive from the University over the summer).
  - Statement of support from faculty mentor (this may be submitted with the materials above, or may be emailed separately). This statement should (1.) signify faculty approval for the student to engage in the research under the faculty member’s guidance and (2.) describe the significance of the project for the student and how it relates to the faculty member’s own work.

Note: preference will be given to students who have not already won Honors summer research fellowships, but it is possible to win one twice. Marquette does not double-fund undergraduate research, so if you have already accepted another internal summer fellowship for your proposed research, you will not be eligible for Honors funding.