

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)



Integrated Tree Science for the Anthropocene Summer 2026

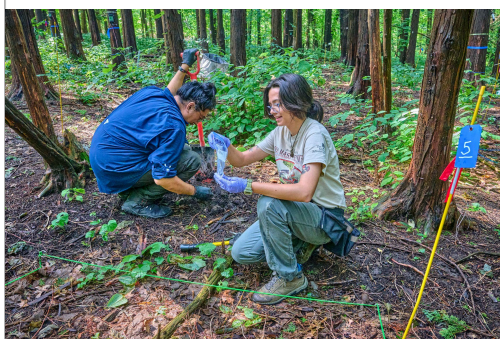
Experience careers that explore solutions for climate change, biodiversity loss, natural resources management, and urban life at one of the nation's only research centers focused on trees.

CONDUCT RESEARCH IN TREE SCIENCE

- Discover new career opportunities
- Learn from a PhD-level mentor and become part of a working scientific lab group.
- Gain scientific experience and skills you can use anywhere
- Choose from field, lab, and computer-focused internships.

RESEARCH AREAS

- Conservation biology
- Urban forests and Arboriculture
- New plant development
- Plant systematics/herbarium
- Forest ecology
- Soil ecology
- Root biology
- Plant pathology



TEN-WEEK RESEARCH PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- \$7,500 stipend fully funded by the National Science Foundation
- Housing, research supplies, and travel
- Professional development workshops and networking opportunities

DATES AND APPLICATION

Program Dates: May 26 through July 31, 2026

Application Dates: December 1, 2025 through January 31, 2026

Program and Application Information: mortonarb.org/REU

LOCATION

The Morton Arboretum
4100 Illinois Route 53, Lisle, Illinois
25 miles west of Chicago, Illinois

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Students who are interested in biology, environmental science, genetics, chemistry, ecology, natural history, natural resources, statistics, modeling, programming, and engineering. This program seeks to build research skills for all students, particularly for early-stage students (first or second year), and students from limited-research institutions.



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