VISITING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT RESEARCH GUIDANCE FOR SUMMER 2021

This document provides guidance for visiting high school students completing research at the University of Utah during Summer 2021. The following COVID-19 safety restrictions will be in effect:

1. The student and the student’s supervisor agree to follow all safety and other protocols specified by the State and University.

2. All participating research programs must be registered with Youth Protection (https://youthprotection.utah.edu/). Please contact Marci Hutchinson (marci.hutchinson@utah.edu) with questions.

3. Students and all researchers are expected to follow all VPR research guidance, including participating in weekly COVID-19 testing.

4. High school researchers who will travel to the U for a summer research experience must comply with the rules and policies of their home institution. Travel paid for by the U must be pre-approved (link).

5. Visiting students who wish to use on-campus housing should contact Marci Healy (mhealy@guesthouse.utah.edu). Details can be found here.

6. For students who will receive stipends, the program or lab administrator should submit a request through the college for the total expected number of individuals as well as a total expected dollar amount required.

7. Outside of scheduled instructional classes and clinical care settings, in person gatherings of students are subject to a separate approval process. Current guidance can be found at https://coronavirus.utah.edu/.

8. As a reminder, some students or their families are at high risk for COVID-related illness and/or cannot be vaccinated. Faculty should not pressure students to participate in onsite research. The Faculty Code states: “University teaching should reflect consideration for the dignity of students and their rights as persons. …Teachers must … treat students with courtesy and respect. …They must not misuse their position, authority, or relationship with students. … Faculty members have the same duties to students in clinical and research settings, in distance learning, and in other non-traditional settings as they do in the traditional classroom.” (6-316).

COVID-19 safety restrictions are continually updated to reflect current conditions and this policy is subject to change. Please check the Campus COVID-19 Response and VPR Research Community Updates pages for the most current information.

Questions about this policy can be directed to covid19-event-planning@utah.edu.