

VIMS REU Intern Program

Summer Schedule 2025

May 25	Arrive Williamsburg and check into the dorm 1 - 6 PM. Dinner w/ Program Coordinator & REU TA
May 26	VIMS closed- Memorial Day holiday; Students get settled in dorms and explore W&M on their own
May 27	Orientation Day 1: W&M ID cards and other main campus business (9:00-10:00 AM); Vehicle orientation Facilities training room (10:30 – 11:00); VIMS business, HR Paperwork; ITNS, pre-program survey Waterman's Hall Computer Room (11:15-11:55); luncheon w/ mentors in Andrews Hall 326 (12:00-1:30 PM); SWMS Field Safety presentation (1:30-3:00); VIMS library orientation (3:00-4:00). Meet with mentors (4-5 PM).
May 28	Orientation Day 2: Group 1: First Aid/CPR- Facilities Bldg. Safety Training room (8:30 AM-12:30 PM); Intern pizza lunch (12:30 -1 PM); meet w/mentors (1:00-5 PM). Group 2: Meet w/mentors (8:30-12:30 AM); Intern pizza lunch – Clayton House (12:30 -1 PM); First Aid/CPR (1-5 PM).
May 30	Workshop: Sexual Harassment (AH 326 12:30-3:30); Rochelle, Grace, Natalia.
June 5-7 (boat trip on 6th)	June 5 th 10 AM Geology Seminar; Matt McCormick. (AH 326), Depart for Eastern Shore Lab Field Trip. Overnight at ESL June 5 and 6. Depart ESL SAT. June 7 th .
June 13	Seminar: Scientific writing and communication: Dr. Rochelle Seitz, Celia Cackowski (AH 326: noon-2:00 pm).
June 18	Intern prospectus presentations of major hypotheses, objectives, and approach (AH 326; 10 AM – 1 PM; with mentors). Research prospectus due at 5 pm.
June 23-July 3	In-Person Check-In meetings w interns and Grace (June 23-25) or Rochelle (June 30-July 3).
June 27	Seminar: Talking Science; Dr. Debbie Steinberg (AH 326; noon - 1:30 PM)..
July 2 (Weds)	Considering Graduate School? Insights from the folks who read the files; Nicole Millette (AH 326 12:00-2:00).
July 4	VIMS closed – 4 th of July holiday, July 7 th Mon. closed.
July 9	Workshop: Ethics in Science; Dr. Ahmed Abbas, Dr. Rochelle Seitz, Dr. Grace Massey, Natalia (AH 326 12:00-3:00).
July 12 (Sat) or 19 (backup)	Canoe trip and Pamunkey Indigenous Tribe Museum with Dr. Jim Perry; morning departure, lunch on site.
July 16 (back-up 15 th)	Field trip - York River cruise on R/V Bay Eagle 8:00 am - 6:00 pm (breakfast and lunch included) (weather-dependent).
Jul 25	Alternatives to Academia; Invited Panel (organized by Rochelle & Grace, AH 326; 11:00 AM -1:30 PM).
July 28	Rough practice for Final Presentations w/Grace M. TA & other students (McHugh Auditorium; 8:30 AM - 5 PM).
July 29	Rehearsal for Final Presentations (McHugh Auditorium; ½ hour slot 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM) – practice w Mentors, lab members, & TA (½-hour slot).
July 30	Final Presentations for VIMS community (McHugh Auditorium; 10 AM-2:30 PM, with break for lunch); Reception to follow (Watermen's Hall Lobby).
Aug 1	Complete final research paper, laboratory cleanup, and VIMS sign-out.
Aug 1	Post-program Survey (10 AM); final research paper due by 5 PM.

Aug 2 (Sat) Depart for home; dorm checkout by noon.