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#### MIT Summer Research Program (MSRP)

The MIT Summer Research Program is a nine-week summer program established in 1986. It focuses on intense graduate level research, while seeking a balance within MIT’s educational triad of academics, research and community.

The size of the program is roughly 60 students per summer with emphasis on students interested in pursuing research related fields.

If admitted to the program, all students will have their travel expenses paid, will be housed on campus and will be paid a monthly stipend.

For more information, please visit:
mit.edu/odge/msrp

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If admitted to the program, travel expenses will be paid and students will be housed at a hotel near the MIT campus for 3 nights.

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mit.edu/converge

#### Other Summer Programs

Amgen UROP Scholars  
web.mit.edu/urop/amgenscholars/

Summer Research Program in Genomics at the Broad Institute  
www.broadinstitute.org/diversity

HST Summer Institute: Bioinformatics and Biomedical Optics  
web.mit.edu/hstsummer

Biotechnology Process Engineering Center Summer REU  
mit.edu/be/education/reu.htm

Center for Materials Science and Engineering Summer REU  
mit.edu/cmse/educational/reu.html

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