

Maple Scholars Program Details

Faculty proposals are approved and posted for students to see in early December. If students are interested in applying they are expected to contact the faculty member to learn more and for the faculty member to know about their interest. Student applications are due (send to the science secretary) near the first of February. The scholars are announced in late February or early March.

The program begins on a Sunday evening early in June and runs for 8 weeks until a Friday around the end of July or beginning of August. Students receive a taxable stipend of \$2,500.

Students are all housed on campus in a small group type of housing arrangement. There is no cost to the students except that they provide their own meals. This living arrangement is part of the program and is expected of all students in order to create a strong sense of a community of scholars. Exceptions may be made for students who are married or have other obligations to live off campus but only by approval from the director.

Students work directly with their faculty mentor on their project during most of the week according a schedule that is mutually agreed upon. In addition to working on their own projects, students are encouraged to occasionally visit other students working Maple Scholar projects.

Each Friday morning all faculty and student participants gather for the Colloquium in which students and faculty take turns describing the work they are doing. Generally presentations are about 10 minutes with 5 minutes for questions and transition. About half of the projects give presentations each week.

At the end of the program, the final Thursday afternoon is a public presentation. Most students give poster presentations but a few chosen by the students give oral presentations. In the evening is a banquet for the students, faculty and their guests. The last Friday is for clean-up and moving out.

Dates for 2015

Student applications due: Feb 9

Announcement of awards: Mar 6

Beginning of program (Move in and picnic): Sunday May 24

Public Poster show, presentations and banquet: Thursday July 16

End of program: Friday July 17