



## Seaver Undergraduate Research Scholars Program

What is it? An opportunity for a diverse group of undergraduate scholars with an interest in autism research to get hands-on research experience at one of the top academic centers in NYC. You will get a chance to learn new skills, identify academic mentors, and build up your CV – all while participating in cutting-edge research to better understand autism.

Can I participate? To be eligible to participate, you need to be:

- (1) currently full-time undergraduate students enrolled in an institution in the US at the time of the program (you are not eligible if you are graduating before summer 2024);
- (2) socioeconomically disadvantaged and/or with limited access to hands-on research opportunities;
- (3) willing to allocate 20h/week over 8 weeks to the project.

What projects could I work on? There are a variety of diverse opportunities to work with mentors from the Seaver Center! Think: genetics, stem cells, brains, rodent models, psychology, environmental risk factors, and clinical research. Browse the list of participating faculty members at the bottom of this form to learn more about their research. During the application process you can identify up to three potential mentors, and we will make sure to find the best faculty match for you based on your interests.

**How do I apply?** You will need to apply by March 1st using this <u>online form</u>. You will be matched to and interviewed by one or more Seaver PIs shortly after and find out if you are accepted into the program by the end of April.

**Will I get paid?** YES! If selected, you will receive \$3,200 for a 20h/week over 8-week commitment (\$20/hour).

## **Participating Mentors:**

De Rubeis | Levy | Panagiotakos | Reichenberg | Sweis | Wang

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