

SUMMER PATHWAYS – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Summer Pathways Program, facilitated by Cornell University's Migrations initiative, provides hands-on research training to first generation, documented and undocumented students and students from underrepresented groups interested in studying migration (broadly defined) and who are considering pursuing a doctorate. The Summer Pathways Program is a one-and-a-half-week, fully-funded summer program that exposes students to research questions and methods at the intersection of racism, dispossession, and migration, pioneering new, innovative, and creative ways of conducting research and making it accessible. The Program will provide students with hands-on, engaged research experience, professional development, and leadership training to drive the next generation of historically underrepresented students in graduate research and education. Participants will gain research skills, higher education networks, and practical knowledge about the graduate application process and Ph.D. life. The objective of the Summer Pathways Program is to contribute to shaping just futures in higher education through the study of racism, migration, and dispossession.

Open to current undergraduate students or those who have recently (within the past 5 years) graduated from an undergraduate program.

July 25 – August 4, 2022 (hybrid – part virtual and part in-person, see below)

Tuition: none

Stipend: \$2,000

Deadline for applications: April 28, 2022.

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OVERVIEW

1.5 week Hybrid Model:

- 3 days of virtual research training and workshopping (Monday – Wednesday)
- 2 days of students participating in virtual 1:1 consultations and check-ins with their co-leads (Thursday – Friday) while conducting on-the-ground research and completing homework assignments (Ethnography/Interviews + Data Analysis)
- Student travel to Cornell campus (Friday - Saturday – Sunday)
- 4 days of in-person programming (professional development workshops, guest speakers, social events and networking, co-working sessions) (Monday – Thursday)

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- Tuition Free
- \$2,000 stipend upon program completion
- Housing and dining while on the Cornell campus in Ithaca, NY
- Personalized mentorship from Pathways Program co-leads
- Access to interdisciplinary series of workshops on quantitative and qualitative research methods, including: how to weave compelling narratives from data, how to ethically recruit, interview, and engage in participant observation/ethnographic field research with participants, how to manage human research protocols, how to gather data with research instruments, and how to code and analyze your data.
- Professional development workshops on how to understand the challenges, questions, and concerns raised by underrepresented students interested in pursuing graduate education
- Personalized workshops and consultations with pioneering, first-generation academics and scholars from different disciplines researching topics at the intersection of racism, dispossession, and migration
- Future-facing workshops with graduate admissions, book and op-ed publishers, and others to help students customize their own path to engagement in graduate-level research

PROGRAM SPECIFICS

- Research presentations by interdisciplinary Cornell faculty
- Research presentations by pioneering, first-generation academics from other leading Universities
- Social activities both virtually and in Ithaca, NY
- Intensive preparation for graduate school applications
- Student research presentations and reflections to wrap up the program

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is open to U.S. citizens, permanent residents, and non-U.S. citizens (including documented and undocumented individuals). Applicants can either currently be enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program at a four or two-year college or have recently (within the past 5 years) graduated from an undergraduate program.

All eligible participants will receive a \$2,000 stipend upon successful program completion. If you are an undocumented individual, please contact us regarding your ability to receive a stipend.

For the four days of in-person programming on the Cornell campus, the Summer Pathways program will provide housing and dining, materials, and any program excursion costs.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit your application materials, including:

- 1-page statement of interest letter listing:
 - Research interests
 - Why you want to enroll in this program
 - What you hope to get out of this program
- Resume with a list of research experience
- 2 reference letters from people you have worked in a research setting
- Unofficial transcripts
- Sample of work in any format (writing, coursework, multimedia, blog, podcast, video, etc.)

Submit your application to Summer Pathways at the following link:

<https://cornell.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1867301>