



# Summer Institute in Earth Sciences

June 1 – August 7, 2009

Deadline: March 6, 2009

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NASA Goddard Space Flight Center's (GSFC) Earth Sciences Division, through its Summer Institute in Earth Sciences program, is offering undergraduate students summer research opportunities at the world's leading Earth Sciences laboratories at NASA GSFC, located nearby Washington, DC in Greenbelt, MD.

The Summer Institute provides students the unique opportunity to conduct an intensive research project, both theoretical and experimental in Earth Sciences. No previous experience in these sciences is required. Students select from a number of available projects and are matched with a Goddard Earth scientist to carry out an intensive summer research project.

The program includes an Earth Science seminar series, NASA tours, and a variety of optional social and professional development events. To complete the program, both an oral report and a written report of the research effort will be required.

## Eligibility

The program is directed primarily at undergraduates who are in their Junior year at the time of application. However, all undergraduates, who are currently enrolled in a U.S. college or university, are eligible, provided they are also U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Computer and programming experience are highly desired, but not required. Applications from women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities are strongly encouraged.

## Compensation & Support

Students receive a grant of \$4,000, local housing, and economy travel expenses. The program must be completed to receive the total amount of the grant.

## Application Procedure

Online application and instructions are available at: [gest.umbc.edu](http://gest.umbc.edu)

Applications will be accepted beginning February 2nd. Placements will be announced in April.

## Deadline

Applications must be received no later than March 6, 2009.

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