Criteria for Selection, not in any particular order. *We are very serious about each of these criteria*

- Academic record;
- Courses taken;
- Previous research experience (some experience is good, too much is bad);
- Relative lack of research opportunities at your home institution;
- Self-identification as a female applicant, underrepresented minority student, transfer student, first-generation college attendee, physically challenged participant, or someone who would otherwise add to creating a diverse environment;
- Potential for this REU to “add value” to your background;
- Strength of letters of recommendation;
- Nature of statement of purpose and challenges overcome (last 2 questions on form);
- Willingness to present and publish work done;
- Evidence of work in a team environment (attach a resume if you have one!!).

We like to assemble REU teams that contain students from a variety of backgrounds and schools.