



FYRE



Brooklyn College
Chaminade University of Honolulu
Claflin University
Clark Atlanta University
Dillard University
Georgia State University
Heritage University
Howard University
Hunter College
Morehouse College
Morgan State University
North Carolina A&T State University
North Carolina Central University
Prairie View A&M University
Spelman College
Tougaloo College
University of Maryland, Baltimore County
University of Puerto Rico
Xavier University of Louisiana

JAMES H. WYCHE

First Year Research Experience

The James H. Wyche First Year Research Experience (FYRE) offers paid summer research internships for all first-year undergraduates from Leadership Alliance minority-serving partner institutions and HBCUs.

First Year Research Experience

As a first-year student enrolled in a Leadership Alliance Minority-Serving Institution, you are eligible to apply to participate in the Summer Research Early Identification Program (SR-EIP) through our First Year Research Experience (FYRE) application. In addition to all of the benefits of the SR-EIP, you will also be able to:

- Work on a project that has been designed specifically for a first-year student
- Complete an abbreviated application focused on your coursework and research interests with the assistance of faculty or The Leadership Alliance coordinator at your institution
- Participate in a cohort of undergraduate students conducting similar research
- Get matched with a mentor to guide you through networking at The Leadership Alliance National Symposium (LANS)
- Students will participate/present their research at LANS



Eligibility

To be eligible for the FYRE program, you must:

- Be enrolled as a full-time student at a Leadership Alliance Sending Institution. (see list on the front)
- Be a first-year undergraduate at time of application (regardless of total credits earned)
- Be in good academic standing with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Be a documented U.S. citizen or non-citizen national, or permanent resident in possession of an alien registration receipt card (I-551) or other legal document of such status at the time of application
- Have interest in pursuing graduate study toward a Ph.D. or MD-PhD

**Application
deadline:
Feb 3, 2027**

How to Apply

- The application will open on November 1, 2026
- Contact your faculty members for guidance as you develop your application
- Contact your Leadership Alliance coordinator. To find the coordinator on your campus scan the QR code.



Find your
coordinator

Additional Questions?

Contact The Leadership Alliance Executive Office at:
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