The 2014 Summer Undergraduate Research Program of

Center for Neural Science, New York University

Syllabus, 05/9/2014 version
Attendance by SURP Students Required, except where noted
Letters in bold indicate required writing assignments

Date	Occasion	Time and place	Leader and participants
Week 1	Orientation and	9 am – 6 pm	All students, Dr. Chiye Aoki, SURP
May 27	Welcome Reception	Rm 815 Meyer	Director
Tuesday	hosted by the CNS	Complex	Dr. Margarita Kaplow, SURP
			Coordinator and Ms. Vik Keenan, past
	Breakfast and Introduction	10:00 –12:00	SURP Coordinator
	Orientation to the program;		
	Use of the NYU computers		Paul Fan
	Greetings from the Chair of	11:45-12	
	CNS		Dr Tony Movshon, the CNS Director
	Buffet Lunch with mentors	12pm-1pm	All SURP students, Mentors, Dr. Mark
			Klinger, CNS coordinators and CNS
			staff
	Orientation on the use of	1pm-2pm	All SURP students, Dr. Mark Klinger
	animals in research		
	Orientation on lab safety	2pm-4pm	All SURP students, Dr. Paul Rubock,
			Lab safety
	Getting NYU IDs, walk	4pm-5pm	All SURP participants, with NYU
	around the neighborhood	Public Safety	students
		Office	
	Visit Mentor's lab	5pm-6pm	All SURP participants
May 28	Wet Lab Boot Camp I:	612 Silver	ALL SURP participants, Chiye Aoki,
Wednesday	DNA extraction, PCR and		Yi-wen Chen and Margarita Kaplow
	Prep for	9am-1p	
	Immunocytochemistry		
	(Making buffers, using the		
	pH meter, preparing brain		
	sections)		

May 29 Thursday	Tour of the animal facility	Meet in Meyer lobby Time to be determined	For live animal users, only (bring NYU ID)
	Wet Lab Boot Camp II: Digestion of PCR products, Running agarose gel. Immunocytochemical visualization of antigens and light microscopic viewing of brain specimens	612 Silver 9am-4pm	ALL SURP participants, Chiye Aoki and Margarita Kaplow
May 30 Friday	Wet Lab Boot Camp III: Visualize PCR products	612 Silver 9am-12pm	ALL SURP participants, Chiye Aoki and Margarita Kaplow Submit a tentative title of your summer research, due at the end of the day
Week 2 June 5 Thursday	SURP Group meeting, followed by luncheon and	815 Meyer 11am-12pm	Group discussion among SURP students, facilitated by Chiye Aoki
Thursday	"Visual Coding of Local Orientation"	12pm-1pm	Lecture by Dr. Michael Landy
			Submit a revised title and a bibliography
Week 3 June 11 Wednesday	SURP Group meeting, followed by luncheon,	815 Meyer 11am-12pm	Group Discussion among SURP students, facilitated by Dr. Aoki
	Followed by a lecture on Development of the	12pm-1pm	Lecture by Dr. Dan Sanes
	auditory system		Submit a rough draft of the Background section of the summer paper
Week 4	SURP Group Meeting	815 Meyer	SURP Students
June 19	followed by luncheon and	11am-12pm	
Thursday	Lecture on:	12pm-1pm	Lecture by Dr. Pascal Wallisch
	"The psychology of perception"		Submit a rough draft of the 'Methods' section of the summer
			paper

Week 5 June 26	SURP Group meeting, followed by luncheon and	815 Meyer 11am-12pm	Group discussion among SURP students, led by Dr Aoki, then a
Thursday	Lecture on: "Plasticity two ways"	12pm-1pm	Lecture by Dr. Wendy Suzuki Submit a 'pretty good' draft of the 'Intro' section, consisting of the rationals and background material
Week 6 Fourth of July	SURP Group Meeting	East River viewing of the fireworks, Evening	Group outing, voluntary
July 3 Thursday	SURP Group meeting, followed by luncheon and Lecture on:	815 Meyer 11am-12pm	Group Discussion led by Chiye Aoki
	"BP ENDURE Graduates' Perspectives and Tips on the Grad School Application Experience"	12pm-1pm	Michael Rabadi and Mahfuzur Miah Submit a rough draft of the Results section (Imaginary graphs, tables, and drawings that shows the kind of data you hope to collect plus interpretation of expected results)
Week 7 July 8 Tuesday	SURP group outing Broadway musical: "Wicked"	The Gershwin 7pm	
July 10 Thursday	SURP Group meeting, followed by luncheon and Lecture on :	815 Meyer 11am-12pm	Group Discussion led by Chiye Aoki,
	"Cellular basis of memory"	12pm-1pm	Lecture by Dr. Eric Klann
			Submit a 'pretty good' draft of the "Methods' section of the summer paper and any update on results
Week 8 July 17	Lecture on : "Modulation of actions by	815 Meyer	
Thursday	Pavlovian cues"	11am – 12pm	Lecture by Dr. Vincent Campese
	Group Meeting Lunch, PowerPoint presentations by students	12pm-1pm	5-min Practice talks by SURP students – mentors welcomed to join
	All-NYU Conference For Summer Research Participants	Place and time TBD	Submit a rough draft of the Results and Discussion Section that considers the significance of data to be collected

Week 9 July 21 Monday	NYU Summer Student Conference	TBA	TBA
July 23 Wednesday	Practice session for the Symposium	9am-5pm	SURP students with Chiye Aoki, Margarita Kaplow and mentors coaching the talks Come with your Full PowerPoint Presentation
July 25 Friday	SURP Symposium! Celebration Tea	9am-3pm 3-3:30pm	SURP students, open to the public and mentors (Invite your friends and family!) Coffee Break, Lunch, Coffee Break and tea for SURP participants and CNS community
Week 10 July 28 Monday	Filling out Survey Monkey	12-1pm	Last day to submit a draft of the entire paper to mentor
August 1 Friday	SURP students and mentor luncheon	12-3pm	SURP students and mentors Last day to submit the final version of the summer research paper to mentor and Dr Aoki
August 2 Saturday	Check out from the dorm		

Suggested weekend outings: Movies, Fireworks on 4th of July, Museum tour, Statue of Liberty, Sailing, Boating/Zoo in Central Park