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Description automatically generated**IHHE Research and Extension Experiences for Undergraduates (REEU) Traineeship Application**

Applications for IHHE REEU Research Support Awards 2026 will be accepted until the deadline of 5 pm on **December 20, 2025.** Applications will be reviewed when submitted. Awardees will be notified before the **beginning of Spring 2026 semester.**

**Eligibility:** UI undergraduate students must be enrolled full time in any major. Qualified students must have completed coursework for the first year of their majors, with a minimum of 16 credit hours of STEM-based courses. Applicants must be working with a faculty or industry mentor to develop and submit a research proposal focused on plant, animal or human health in complex, managed ecosystems.

**Award and Conditions:** Successful applicants will receive a grant award of $1,000 to support an on-going or new research project. As a condition of accepting the award, awardees are expected to present their work during the annual IHHE Research Symposium which is held every spring semester. This funding will support research in any discipline and can be used for the following (or other reasonable items):

Travel for research

Travel to a research conference

Supplies for research

**Applicants for the research traineeships are encouraged to also apply for this research support.**

**Student Name (Last, First, Middle):**

**U of Idaho Vandal ID#: Email:**

**GPA: Current academic standing:**

**Anticipated Graduation Date: Major:**

**Name of Faculty or Industry mentor (PI):**

**Please provide the information below.**

1. The title of your research project.
2. A brief description of your research project (2-3 sentences).
3. Describe why you are interested in doing this research (2-3 sentences).

**PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH YOUR APPLICATION:**

1. Project description
   1. Maximum three single spaced pages of text, minimum margin size of 1”, 12 point font in Arial, Times New Roman, or Calibri.
   2. Include the following sections:
      1. A brief but descriptive Title reflecting the goals of the proposed work
      2. Research Question, Background and Research Objectives
      3. Explicit statement of specific Hypothesis/Hypotheses to be tested
      4. Experimental Protocols and Timeline of Activities
      5. Anticipated Results and Potential Pitfalls
      6. Literature Cited (any standard format may be used for Literature Cited, as long as this format is consistently followed throughout the proposal)
   3. Please explicitly address how your project fits within the scope of factors affecting “plant, animal or human health and diseases.”
2. Transcript (an unofficial copy will suffice)
3. Letter of support from your faculty or industry mentor. Letter should address the following:
   1. How long the mentor has known the student.
   2. The student’s qualifications.
   3. How the student’s project relates to ongoing research of the mentor’s lab/operation.
   4. Whether the project is feasible in the above-mentioned timeframe.
   5. The mentoring support you anticipate being able to offer the student during the project.

Email your application to **Edwin Lewis** ([eelewis@uidaho.edu](mailto:eelewis@uidaho.edu))