

Application Form for Summer 2027
Faculty of Agriculture Undergraduate Summer Research Awards

Students using this form are automatically considered for the NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA), Sobey Agricultural Undergraduate Research Award (SAURA), and the Merle Taylor Undergraduate Research Award (MTURA).

Deadline: 12 Feb 2026

Part 1: To be completed by student

Student name:	☐ Intend to graduate in May*	
BANNER number:	☐ Canadian citizen/permanent resident**	
E-mail:	☐ Indigenous ☐ Black	
Years of study completed:		
Current Program:		
Previous summer research award(s)***		
Award:	Supervisor:	Year:
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In addition to this form, please provide the following:

- A one-page maximum statement explaining why you want to be considered for an undergraduate research award at the Faculty of Agriculture
- A one-page maximum CV
- Academic transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended (Dal Online printouts are acceptable)

Please send your application package, via email, to gradagri@dal.ca. **Applications must be submitted as a single PDF file.**

* Complete **Appendix A** in addition to this form if you plan to graduate this May

** International students can apply for a summer research award. While not eligible for USRA, they are considered for SAURA

*** Maximum 3 awards per student during their undergraduate career. May not work with the same supervisor more than 2 summers

Part 2: To be completed by potential summer research supervisor

Complete the following if you want to have the above student work under your supervision, should they receive a summer 2027 research award. You may supervise a maximum of two undergraduate research award recipients per year. **Supervisors are required to supplement the amount of the award by at least \$3500.**

Supervisor name:

Department:

1. Context in which you know the student:
2. Project funding (supervisor contribution to student stipend and research costs)

NSERC funding Yes ☐ No ☐ NSERC grant type:

SSHRC Insight funding Yes ☐ No ☐

Other research funding (specify granting agency):

3. Proposed summer project (to be completed by prospective supervisor)

Project title:

Project description (1000 characters max; enter below)

The research project will focus mostly on (choose maximum 2):

Food security ☐ Sustainable ocean ☐ Culture, society, community development ☐

Healthy people, healthy communities, healthy populations ☐ Clean tech, energy, environment ☐

APPENDIX A

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**** This page needs to be completed if you are graduating from your undergraduate program in May and plan to start a thesis-based graduate program in the fall.**

Part A1: To be completed by student

Student name:

Describe your plans for graduate school next year

School(s)/department:

Graduate supervisor name:

Application status:

Additional information (attach letter if you like):

Part A2: To be completed by potential summer research supervisor

Supervisor name:

- | | Low | | | | High |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Likelihood of student pursuing a research career: | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. Overall research ability/potential of student: | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

Please comment briefly on the above rankings. Explain how this summer's research will benefit the student (e.g., student will expand on or publish honours research). Indicate where (school, department, supervisor) the student plans to begin graduate studies.

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