

## An Education & Outreach Opportunity Exclusively for:

## OK NSF EPSCoR S<sup>3</sup>OK RESEARCHERS

# **Summer 2023 Intense Laboratory Experiences & Mentorship for Undergraduates Awards**

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: FEB. 1, 2023

Faculty researchers directly affiliated with the OK NSF EPSCoR RII Track-1 project may apply for Intense Laboratory Experiences and Mentorship for Undergraduate awards, which are designed to support S<sup>3</sup>OK theme-related research experiences for Oklahoma undergraduate students in researchers' labs during the summer months. Students will benefit from faculty mentorship, while participating in intense, focused lab research. A 2019 multi-campus study funded by the Council on Undergraduate Research found that students who perform research as undergrads are more than 30% more likely to graduate than their peers and as much as 48% more likely to pursue STEM-related doctoral degrees.

Proposals will be awarded via a competitive review process based on proposal integrity; the engagement of early-career faculty and overall participant diversity will also be considered.

### **Funding Information**

- Only faculty researchers affiliated with the OK NSF EPSCoR RII Track-1 S<sup>3</sup>OK project may apply.
- Proposals must address at least one of the S<sup>3</sup>OK research theme areas.
- The student researcher must be identified in the proposal.
- No more than 10 REUs are expected to be awarded.

#### **Budget**

- Maximum allowable budget is \$5,000.
- Budget must be used for the benefit of the student's research (i.e., student stipend, lab supplies, travel, etc.).
- No IDC allowed.

#### **How to Apply**

Proposal packages must be submitted online at: <a href="https://www.okepscor.org/summer-2023-epscor-only-reu">https://www.okepscor.org/summer-2023-epscor-only-reu</a> following the guidelines below.

Important: Applications must be approved by the appropriate institutional grants office prior to submission (i.e., the office processing the award).

The following items must be uploaded and submitted online with your proposal package:

- 1. Brief description of how the student will be engaged in S<sup>3</sup>OK research; include mentorship details (2 pages max.).
- 2. Budget summary (i.e., student stipend, lab supplies, travel, etc.; no IDC allowed).
- 3. Student's letter of commitment (1 page max.)