

## 2026 Summer Research Fellowship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Year in Program: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen or permanent resident:

Are you currently receiving Financial Aid?

UH Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any previous research experience, skills, or interests.

Describe your long-term career goals, and how you expect to benefit from the summer research program.

List, in rank order, your preferences for working with specific faculty mentors (preferred), in certain research areas, or on specific research projects.

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Provide names and request emailed letters of reference from 2 or 3 faculty from UHCO (including prospective mentors\*), or your institution if not at UHCO, or from a mentor for undergraduate research (via email please) to the Graduate Program (see below).

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Optometry institution if not UHCO \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-optometry institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-optometry GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-optometry major: \_\_\_\_\_ Optometry school GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

UHCO: Are you interested in the OD/MS or OD/PhD program?

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- UHCO students: By signing this form, you give permission to the Graduate Program office to copy your undergraduate transcript(s) on file in the Office of Optometry relations, and to view your Optometry school grades.
- Students in other optometry schools must send undergraduate and optometry transcripts

Please email your application materials to [optsrch@central.uh.edu](mailto:optsrch@central.uh.edu)

**Email Queries to:**

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\*Note: Students please request letters of recommendation from the research faculty members with whom you want to work. The Faculty Directory with contact information can be found at <https://www.opt.uh.edu/about/college-directory/index.cfm>.