Students will be allowed on campus to do research in person this summer, however that does not guarantee that the lab you are interested in will be able to host you in person. Labs are still required to follow all pandemic guidelines, including “dedensification” and maintaining proper social distancing. You must discuss with your mentor to determine if you will be able to work in person and abide by any COVID-19 guidelines in place this summer. The ability to perform in-person research is ultimately decided by your lab.

In light of the anticipated continuing challenges of the pandemic and the desire for students to use their COVID-19 course credits, YSS COVID-19 Courses and YSS COVID-19 Housing Subsidies | Yale Summer Session, the following options have been implemented for the summer of 2021 only. You will apply for the Yale College First-Year Summer Research Fellowship or the Yale College Dean’s Research/Rosenfeld Science Scholar Fellowships as you normally would. If your proposal is selected for funding, we will contact you and ask you to commit to one of the options below.

Students awarded the **Yale College First-Year Summer Research Fellowship** or the **Yale College Dean’s Research Fellowship** will choose one of the following options:

**Option 1: 10 continuous weeks of full-time, in-person research ($4,300 stipend)**

- Research start times are flexible, in consultation with your research mentor.
- Students are **not** allowed to take any summer classes or be employed during the research period.

**Option 2: 7 continuous weeks of full-time, in-person research ($3,010 stipend)**

- **Option 2A**: Research duration: Monday, May 24 – Friday, July 9.
  - Students are **not** allowed to take summer classes or be employed **during** the research period.
  - After July 9, students can participate in Yale Summer Session Program - Session B (*begins July 12*) or be employed.

- **Option 2B**: Research duration: Monday, July 12 – Friday, August 27.
  - Students are **not** allowed to take summer classes or be employed **during** the research period.
  - Prior to July 12, students can participate in YSS - Session A (*Monday June 7 – Friday, July 9*).
Option 3: 8 continuous weeks of part-time, remote research ($2,500 stipend)

- Research start times are flexible, in consultation with research mentor.
- Research must be at least 20 hours a week, minimum.
- Students are allowed to concurrently take one Yale Summer Session Program class in Session A and/or Session B.
- Part-time employment is allowed.

Option 4: 10 continuous weeks of in-person research ($2,150 stipend)

This option is for students who are eligible for YSS COVID-19 Courses, YSS COVID-19 Courses and YSS COVID-19 Housing Subsidies | Yale Summer Session.

**NOTE:** If you plan to take option 4, you must make the arrangements yourself with Yale Summer Session to enroll in the required Independent Research in the Summer course, IDRS S300, https://courses.yale.edu/?details&srcdb=202102&code=IDRS%20S300.

- **Option 4A:** Conduct 5 continuous weeks of full-time, in-person research in a lab from Monday, June 7 – Friday, July 9; funded by the Yale College First-Year Summer Research Fellowship or the Yale College Dean’s Research Fellowship.
- Students are not allowed to take any summer classes or be employed during the research period, June 7 – July 9.
- After week 5, starting July 12, students must take the YSS Independent Research in the Summer class, IDRS S300, https://courses.yale.edu/?details&srcdb=202102&code=IDRS%20S300, in Session B, continuing 5 additional weeks of research in the same lab.
- Students receive a YSS credit for the IDRS S300 course.
- Students are allowed to use their second COVID-19 course credit to take another YSS class in session B.
- Students may be eligible for the YSS COVID-19 Housing Subsidy, YSS COVID-19 Courses and YSS COVID-19 Housing Subsidies | Yale Summer Session.
- During the 10-week period, students are not allowed to be employed.

- **Option 4B:** This option is the reverse of Option 4A
- Students can elect to take IDRS S300 (as well as a second COVID-19 course), conducting in-person research in a Yale lab during YSS Session A, from June 7 - July 9.
- After Session A has concluded on July 9, students then do 5 additional weeks of full-time research, July 12-Aug 13; funded by the Yale College First-Year Summer Research Fellowship or the Yale College Dean’s Research Fellowship.
- No classes can be taken during YSS Session B, July 12 - August 13.
- During the 10-week period, students are not allowed to be employed.
Students considering the 2021 STARS Summer Research Program:

- Students can conduct 9 weeks of research either in-person or remotely, June 7 – August 6.
- Students are required to live on the Yale campus.
- Students will enroll in the YSS class, SCIE S101, *Scientific Research: Process and Presentation*, [https://courses.yale.edu/?details&srcdb=202102&crn=30133](https://courses.yale.edu/?details&srcdb=202102&crn=30133), which will be conducted remotely.
- Students will receive a $2,500 stipend as well as free on-campus room & board, and course tuition.

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