

Dr. Imoigele Aisiku Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowships

We are pleased to announce the Aisiku STEM Center's 2026 Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowships. These fellowships will support STEM Faculty and undergraduate student research teams from the Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer Science, or Earth, Environment, and Physics Departments to participate in research for 10 weeks during the summer of 2026. The Faculty Member will receive a \$3000 award stipend and the student fellowship recipients will receive a up to \$2500 (in hourly wages). In addition there may be funds available to support the proposed research (supplies, equipment, or other activities).

Eligibility:

- Faculty: A single full time faculty member in one of the five Aisiku STEM Center Departments
- Students: WSU undergraduate majoring in one of the five STEM Center Departments. Student must be enrolled as a full-time matriculated student during the Fall 2026 semester.

Expectations:

- 10-week commitment to a research project during the summer of 2026
- Summer program meetings (professional development seminars)
 - Students are expected to attend all summer program meetings
 - Faculty are expected to contribute to the content
- Final written report and public presentation of research (sent to Linda Larrivee and Daron Barnard)
- Thank you letter to Dr. Aisiku (sent to Linda Larrivee and Daron Barnard)

Criteria for selection:

- Quality of the research plan
- Support and recommendation of a faculty mentor (for student application)
- Quality/clarity of personal statement including understanding of the research to be conducted and the impact on future plans
- Likelihood of success (based on your academic record, personal statement, other relevant academic and/or work experiences and recommendation)

Applications are due in hard copy to the Dean's office or via email as a single PDF containing all parts to stem@worchester.edu by **Monday, March 9th by 4:00 pm.**

For further information, contact Daron Barnard, Dept. of Biology, or Linda Larrivee, Dean of the School of Science, Technology, and Health

Please see attachment for additional information and application form.