The Princeton University Department of Chemistry announces its inaugural Visiting Faculty Research Partnership (VFRP) for the Summer 2022 term. Faculty members selected for this program will be appointed as “Princeton University Visiting Research Scholars” and may invite up to two graduate and/or undergraduate student researchers to jointly participate in the summer research. The visiting faculty member will identify a member of the Princeton University Department of Chemistry research faculty with whom to develop a research project of mutual interest. The VFRP seeks to establish research collaborations with faculty members and their students from colleges and universities without large doctoral programs that predominantly serve students who are typically underrepresented in the chemical research community. The Department of Chemistry supports a diverse and inclusive community and seeks to develop enduring research networks across the chemistry community. [2022 program participation is contingent on University COVID-19 visitor policies.]

**DATES:**

- Preliminary Faculty Applications due: December 15, 2021, 11:59 a.m. EST ([AcadHire](https://puwebp.princeton.edu/AcadHire/apply/index.xhtml)*)
- Finalists notified: January 15, 2022
- Applications for undergraduate student participants due: February 1, 2022
- Applications for graduate student participants due: February 15, 2022
- Finalist Faculty Applications and Proposals due: February 15, 2022
- Final Placements announced: March 15, 2022
- Summer 2022 Program Dates: Wednesday, June 1 - Friday, July 29 (2 months)
- Holidays: Friday, June 17 (Juneteenth); Monday, July 4 (Independence Day)

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**ELIGIBILITY:**

- **Faculty applicants** must be full-time faculty members in chemistry, chemical biology, physical chemistry, or materials chemistry at an accredited U.S. degree granting, postsecondary institution. Ph.D. required. Members of groups who contribute to the University’s diversity— including members of groups that have been historically and are presently underrepresented in the United States (e.g., racial and ethnic minorities, individuals from first-generation/low-income backgrounds, etc.) and those who have made active contributions to enhancing access, diversity, and inclusion in the field of Chemistry—are especially encouraged to apply. The faculty member cannot hold an appointment at a university categorized as “R1: Doctoral Universities - Very high research activity” by the 2018 Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

- **Undergraduate student participants** who accompany the faculty member must meet the eligibility requirements set by the Leadership Alliance Summer Research-Early Identification Program (SR-EIP)*, and they should apply through the SR-EIP program selecting “Princeton University-Chemistry” as their top choice. Students must have a cumulative minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, and must have completed at least one year as a matriculating undergraduate student by June 1, 2022. Undergraduate students must have at least one semester remaining before graduation to apply. More information about the Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow in Chemistry (SURF-C) program webpage**.

- **Graduate student participants** who accompany the faculty member will apply and be appointed through Princeton’s Visiting Student Research Collaborator (VSRC) Program***. In order to be eligible, graduate students must be actively enrolled at the visiting faculty’s home institution. Visiting graduate students can be enrolled in the VSRC program for a lifetime maximum of twelve months.

*https://app.theleadershipalliance.org, **https://chemistry.princeton.edu/undergrads/surf-c, ***https://international.princeton.edu/international-students-and-scholars/vsrc
Selected faculty and participating students will spend two months working on a collaborative project with a Princeton University Department of Chemistry research faculty member and their group, building a potentially ongoing research network. They will be the keynote speakers of the Summer Research Symposium in July. Additional activities will include professional development and networking opportunities focused on grant writing and careers in the academy.

Undergraduate students will work in labs with Princeton collaborators and will participate in all summer program activities associated with the SR-EIP, including the national research conference in July and the departmental Summer Research Symposium. Enrichment activities include professional development and career workshops, seminars in scientific writing and communication, and GRE preparation.

Graduate student participants will work in labs with Princeton collaborators and will have the option to participate in professional development workshops as well as diversity, equity, and inclusion programming. They will also be able to participate in any of our recruiting visits that we regularly schedule with our pharmaceutical industry partners each summer.

All participants will receive the required laboratory safety and responsible conduct of research trainings upon arrival at Princeton.

**Benefits:**

- Participating Faculty will be appointed as Visiting Research Scholars and will receive a two-month stipend of $10,080. Faculty are responsible for securing their own housing and health insurance coverage. There are some on-campus short-term housing options for which visiting faculty may apply.

- Undergraduate student participants will receive on-campus housing, a stipend of $550 per week, and a travel reimbursement up to $500. Undergraduate student participants will need to secure their own health insurance coverage, and subsidies from the Department of Chemistry may be available.

- Graduate student participants receive a stipend of $3,172 per month and travel reimbursement up to $500. They will be eligible to apply for on-campus housing at the Graduate College. The cost of housing can be deducted directly from the stipend payment each month. Graduate Student participants are eligible to receive health insurance from Princeton University.

- All costs of core facility usage (NMR, MS, XRC, etc.) by the visiting group will be covered by the Department of Chemistry during their time in residence at the University.

**Financial Support:**

- The program will culminate in a Summer Research Symposium which will take place during the last week of July. The Symposium will include a seminar, a poster session, and a departmental reception.

- Faculty participants will present their research as keynote speakers of the symposium. Faculty will be asked to participate in an end-of-program exit conversation.

- Graduate Students will present their research as brief oral presentations during the symposium. They will also submit a project report and complete an end of program survey.

- Undergraduate Students will present their research during a brief oral presentation at the National Leadership Alliance Symposium in July and during the Summer Research Symposium poster session. Undergraduate participants will be expected to complete pre- and post-program surveys.