

Dear Participants,

As with any such program we are anxious to know your impressions of this year's REU/RET program here at LNS. This helps us make the program better and secure funding for future renditions.

Some of the questions may not apply to you or relate to your time here with us. Therefore, you need not answer all questions -- we would appreciate your answers to those that do apply to you.

You can respond to this survey in any number of ways (it is on the web) but please do so (i) BEFORE you leave Ithaca and (ii) to MONICA WESLEY, not to Gerry Dugan or to me. I will set aside some time during the last week of the REU should any of you, individually or as a group, wish to talk to me in person about your "experience" (which is, after all, the "E" in REU or RET). With the exception of the "contact information" below, the remainder can be submitted anonymously, although that means we cannot contact you with any questions that might be raised.

VERY IMPORTANT -- We need to be able to find you later to follow-up on your future and career.

Your name:

Your "home" address:

Your "home" phone number: () -

Your address for academic year 2001-02 (if known):

Your e-mail for academic 2001-02:

Your advisor or other "permanent" contact:

Name:

Address:

Phone or e-mail:

0. In which program are you participating:

WSU REU

Cornell REU

1. Did your research experience enhance your knowledge, understanding, and/or appreciation of physics, the sciences or engineering? Yes No Not Sure
If so, how?

2. What experimental or other technical skills did you acquire?

3. How was the project related to your scientific/engineering interests?

4. About what fraction of your time did you work independently?

0-20%

20-40%

40-60%

60-80%

80-100%

5. How frequently did you interact with your mentor(s)?

6. How useful was the direction and advice you received?

7. Please comment on the following:

(a) the formal presentations given by faculty and staff

(b) the arranged tours

(c) the seminars given by your fellow participants

(d) your own experiences of giving seminars about your work

(e) your experience with preparing your final report

(f) your interaction with other REU students

(g) your interactions with other undergraduate research students at Cornell

8. Did you receive sufficient help in logistics, such as housing, travel, Ithaca information, etc.?

9. Please comment on your housing -- positive and negative.
What do you think would be the best arrangement for housing in future years: dorm rooms, summer apartment sublets, small living units such as Edgemoor, fraternity house, other?

10. Would you be interested in working in an REU program next summer? (Assume that you would be eligible -- i.e., that you would not graduate before next summer.)

(a) If so, would you be interested in continuing to work in the same area of science? If so, why?

(b) If not, why not?

11. Would you recommend this program to a friend at your home institution?

12. Please add further comments that you feel may be useful.