Dear Participants,

As with any such program we are anxious to know your impressions of this year’s REU/RET program here at LEPP. 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 complete this survey in any number of ways, but please DO complete it! I will be mailing it to you as plain text and a Word document, should you wish to get it back to us electronically. It is on the web as PDF if you wish to print it. Please take more than “two minutes” to think about the questions so as to make meaningful responses and BEFORE you leave Ithaca get it to MONICA WESLEY, not 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).

Thank you and best wishes!!

Rich Galik
0. In which program are you participating:

Wayne State    Cornell    George Mason

1a. How did your research experience enhance your knowledge and understanding of physics, the sciences or engineering?

1b. How did your research experience enhance your appreciation and interest for physics, the sciences or engineering?

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)?
Daily    2-3 times a week    Weekly    Less than weekly

6. How useful were the direction and advice you received from your mentor(s)?
7. Please comment on the following aspects of the LEPP REU:
   (a) the formal presentations given by faculty and staff (ERL, CHESS, Intros to CESR/CLEO, Theoretical Overview, etc.)

   (b) the arranged tours of CLEO/CESR, SRF, and others

   (c) the presentations given by your fellow participants

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

   (e) your experience with preparing your final written report

   (f) your interaction with other REU students from LEPP
8. Again this year LEPP made an active effort to have common activities with some of the other REU programs on campus.

(a) (for those of you in the Clara Dickson Residence Hall) How did you find the accommodations? Were the microwave-fridges useful?

(b) Did you prepare meals at your residence, eat at a Cornell dining facility, or eat off campus?

(c) Did you have much interaction with participants from other REU programs?

(d) Please comment on having common weekly REU dinners.

(e) Please comment on the CCMR fun talks.

(f) Did you find the panel discussion on graduate school of use?
9. Did you receive sufficient help in logistics, such as housing, travel, Ithaca information, etc.? What additional assistance, guides, or information would you have found useful?

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.) Yes  No  Maybe

   (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 the LEPP program to students at your home institution?

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