



2025 Summer Program for Interdisciplinary Research and Education Emerging Interface Technologies (SPIRE-EIT) *Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)*



The 2025 program is a ten-week undergraduate internship where students work collaboratively in interdisciplinary teams, receive core training, and gain hands-on research experience with emerging interface technologies.

Program Details:

- Interns will travel to ISU campus on Tuesday, May 27, and will travel home on Saturday, August 2
- Travel allowance
- \$7,000 stipend for the summer
- Summer interns are hosted by VRAC and provided with work space in our interdisciplinary lab (www.vrac.iastate.edu)
- Free on-campus apartment housing
- Training and hands-on experience will include classroom lectures, activities, a journal club and get-to-know-faculty seminars
- Interns will receive an ISU Dining meal plan
- Applications accepted through March 14, 2025
- For questions, contact the SPIRE-EIT REU Program at spire-eit@iastate.edu
- For more information about the program and to apply, visit the QR code

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.
- Must be currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program and maintain good standing.

Emerging Interface Technologies:

Research topics vary each summer. They have ranged from creating simulated researchers presenting at a VR poster session to biometric scanning that's faster and higher-res than what's on the market, to the impact of games on behavior change, to helping robots predict human behavior, to designing decision-making tools for people who don't read graphs. We don't yet know what's coming for this summer, but we know there will be interesting technology, a human who wants to use it, and an interface to translate between them.

