

Dear Rutgers Research Deans,

The form to process undergraduate student researchers for Summer 2021 is now available through the <u>Return to Research Portal</u>.

The updated form also makes it easier to approve returning undergraduate student researchers who have already been approved for Spring 2021 within the same lab if their information has not changed.

**Policy for Summer 2021:** Undergraduate students may participate in research <u>if the research can be</u> <u>conducted safely as endorsed by the Research Advisor and Department Chair or equivalent</u> and safe social distancing requirements are met. Weekly <u>COVID-19 testing</u> is still required.

Please note that the process for graduate/postdoctoral student and faculty/staff researchers remains the same through the <u>Return to Research Portal</u>. You can continue to use the same form even if it says Spring 2021 as the semester.

Thank you for your continued support as we endeavor to ensure a safe and productive research environment at Rutgers. Please share this news with your faculty and staff as relevant.

Best regards, Return to Research Team