

Program Expectations – SURF Trainees and Preceptors

Trainees:

- Identify preceptor and collaborate with them to establish a project, including budget
- Submit project via SURF application
 - All projects should include a hypothesis statement
 - All projects should include an analysis plan developed in coordination with a statistician
 - Project should be designed such that the student can complete all aspects: literature review, data collection, data analysis, and presentation of the results
- Enroll in Research Design and Methods (DENTEL 530 – Research Methods Seminar) spring quarter
- Enroll in 6 elective independent study credits with your preceptor during summer or summer/autumn quarters (depending on year in DDS program)
- Submit progress report in September
- Submit final paper in December – final paper should be formatted as a publication for a scholarly journal
- Present project at Research Day in January

Preceptors:

- Work with students to develop a feasible project to be completed in 3 full time equivalent months, including any budgetary needs (ideally an extension of a project ongoing in your research team)
- Commit to regular check-ins with the student
- Grades must be submitted for all independent study research credits associated with your trainee
- Preceptors who haven't had at least two prior SURF trainees should pair with an experienced SURF Preceptor to co-mentor the trainee
- Preceptors should limit themselves to one first time SURF trainee per cycle.