



## Summer Undergraduate Program 2026 Syllabus

All times are **Central Daylight Time**

### May 2026

#### **Tuesday, May 26, 2026**

8:30 AM-3:30 PM, Orientation

#### **Wednesday, May 27, 2026**

9:30 AM, Elevator Pitch Workshop

10:30 AM, Welcome Tea-Time

11:00 AM-12:00 PM, Plant Growth Facility Tour

1:00 PM-4:30 PM, Safety Training

5:00 PM, Welcome Event – Stacy Park

#### **Thursday, May 28, 2026**

9:00AM – 10:00AM, Lab Notebook Workshop

11:00 AM-3:15 PM, Advanced Bioimaging Laboratory Workshop

### June 2026

#### **Tuesday, June 2, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker: Dr. Ru Zhang

**Thursday, June 4, 2026**

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Plant CV & Data Science Workshop

**Monday, June 8, 2026**

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM, Sexual Harassment and Implicit Bias Workshop

**Tuesday, June 9, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker- Dr. Erin Sparks

Topic: How to Write a Scientific Paper

**Thursday, June 11, 2026**

DDPSC Scientific Retreat, Missouri Botanical Gardens

**Friday, June 12, 2026**

**Preliminary Project Titles Due**

DDPSC Scientific Retreat, Danforth Center

**Tuesday, June 16, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker Dr: Joe Jez

Topic: How to Give a Scientific Talk

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Networking with WashU Cohort, Tour of DDPSC and Lunch

**Thursday, June 18, 2026**

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Field Research Site Field Trip

**Friday, June 19, 2026**

*Juneteenth Holiday (Danforth Center Closed)*

**Monday, June 22, 2026**

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Bioanalytical Chemistry Facility Introduction &

Laboratory Work

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM, Data Review

**Tuesday, June 23, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker: Dr. Sona Pandey

**Thursday, June 25, 2026**

2:00 PM, St. Louis County Library Outreach Opportunity (Voluntary)

**Friday, June 26, 2026**

Title, Introduction, OR Materials & Methods Due

Mid-Program Survey due

**Tuesday, June 30, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker: Dr. Ivan Baxter

## July 2026

**Friday, July 3, 2026**

*Independence Day Holiday - Observed (Danforth Center Closed)*

**Tuesday, July 7, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker: Dr. Getu Duguma

**Thursday, July 9, 2026**

8:30 AM-3:00PM, Missouri Botanical Gardens Field Trip

**Friday, July 10, 2026**

Title, Introduction, AND Materials & Methods Due

**Tuesday, July 14, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM Weekly Program Meeting Speaker:

Dr. Justin Conover

**Tuesday, July 21, 2026**

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Weekly Program Meeting

Speaker: Dr. Joe Jez

Topic: Applying for NSF Graduate Research Fellowships

10:00 AM, CSTM: Graduate School Experience Q&A

**Wednesday, July 22, 2026**

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM, Lunch ‘n Learn

Speaker: Dr. Kirk Czymmek

Topic: Startups

**Thursday, July 23, 2026**

TBD Helix/39 North Tour

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**Friday, July 24, 2026**

Title, Intro, Materials & Methods, Preliminary Results, and Presentation Rough Draft Due

3:00 PM–5:00 PM, Career Panel

5:00 PM, Reception

**Tuesday July 28, 2026**

Symposium Practice

8:45 AM-10:00 AM, Program Feedback Meeting

Exit Survey Due

**Wednesday July 29, 2026**

Symposium Practice

**Thursday, July 30, 2026**

Symposium Practice

**Thursday, July 31, 2026**

Final Paper & Presentation Due

9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Symposium 5:00 PM,

Reception