School of Medicine: Undergraduates in Research Labs Guidance

The SOM continues to align with the University’s ‘Return to Campus’ guidance. In this document, we describe our guidance and process to recognize the educational milestones and research continuity between SOM faculty and the Emory College of Arts and Sciences undergraduates who are actively engaged in biomedical research within the SOM. We have established a process to identify all undergraduates doing research in SOM (whether remote or on campus), and a committee to review requests to return ECAS undergraduates to SOM research activities on a case by case basis.

Only individuals that align with the criteria outlined below will be considered for approval. SOM will revisit this guidance periodically in collaboration with University partners.

Criteria

An undergraduate student registered for Emory Course: Biology 495A/B (Honors Research for Credit) or Georgia Tech Courses: XXXX2699 or XXXX4699 (with XXXX as the department) may be allowed to return to research activities if one or more of the following criteria are applicable –

- Research activities can be performed by the student remotely
- Student is actively continuing/completing an education milestone/independent research project for credit
- Student is advanced in a specific project and working independently
- Student does not require substantial new training that would violate social distancing requirements
- The PI has adequate space in their laboratory to accommodate the presence of the student under current space requirements
- Student would not be working with live SARS CoV2 samples

Submit to the committee via: A request form in REDCap at https://is.gd/undergradsinsomlabs

Submission Deadline 5:00 PM on Monday, July 27th

SOM Response Deadline Monday, August 3rd