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- Developing New Oral Vaccines through the Minigut Mucosal System
- Probiotic Engineering
- Toward Real-Time Control of Cell Differentiation Using Reinforcement Learning
- Lignin-Based Engineering Thermoplastics

BioMaP creates novel research experiences for undergraduate students from around the nation in the areas of biological materials and processes. Students are active members of interdisciplinary groups and interact with faculty, post-doctoral researchers, graduate students and industry. Students may also participate in cohort experiences such as seminars, meetings, workshops and more.

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Application window: Jan. 1 - Feb. 15, 2023

Comments from past program participants:

"I gained a lot of skills not only in lab procedures, but in experimental design."

"The faculty and grad students are great. The campus is very beautiful and excellent for walking and biking."

"I wasn’t sure about graduate school but this program gave me the confidence to know I can do it."

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