

A Guide to Your Meeting with a Potential Shapiro Summer Research Mentor

1. Questions about the PROJECT:

- Is IRB needed? Will it be approved by summer?
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- Is the project ongoing or new?
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- Does it have a clear hypothesis or is it explorative? What are the expected outcomes?
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- Is the scope appropriate for a summer project? What is the potential for continuation past the summer?
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2. Questions about your ROLE:

- What is expected of you: daily tasks and responsibilities, specific skills? Any trainings you need to complete?
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- Who will supervise you on a daily basis?
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- Is the work mostly Independent or team effort?
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- When and how long are you expected to work? Time commitment and schedule?
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- Is it likely you will be involved in a publication or presentation of the project?
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3. Questions about the MENTOR:

- When is the mentor available? What is his/her/their communication style?
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- What is her/his/their experience in mentoring students?
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4. Other questions:

- Do you have any other summer plans that your research mentor needs to know about?
- What do you need to be successful in the summer? How can your mentor help?
- Are there shadowing or other non-research enrichment opportunities available?
- Is the mentor planning to mentor 1 or 2 students in the summer?