



November 8, 2023

Dear Colleagues, Faculty and Prospective Intern Applicants:

The U.S. Meat Animal Research Center (USMARC), located in Clay Center, Nebraska, is sponsoring a limited 2024 Summer Research Internship Program for undergraduate students. At USMARC we prioritize opportunities to strengthen STEM sciences with proactive partnership between scientists at USMARC and faculty, staff, and students at top colleges and universities throughout the country. We further understand the value of experiential learning opportunities for undergraduate students. This program, **focused at the undergraduate level**, is an opportunity to introduce students to various fields of research associated with meat animal production, including genetics, physiology, reproduction, nutrition, meat quality, food safety, animal health, environmental sustainability, and precision agriculture.

- Below is a link to the USMARC Careers page with information about our 2024 program and the application process, along with the timeline for submission of applications. Included are projects representing our research units: Genetics & Animal Breeding; Meat Safety & Quality

An application form, along with a list of required supporting documents, can be found at this link:

[USMARC 2024 Summer Internship Program](#)

Application packages must be **postmarked by January 12, 2024**. If emailing the package, ensure it is in PDF format and **received before January 19, 2024**. Letters of recommendation can be sent directly from any advisor or professor to Janel Nierman at Janel.nierman@usda.gov or mail them to Attn: Janel Nierman, USMARC, PO Box 166, Clay Center, NE 68933. Applications will be considered incomplete if a letter of recommendation is not received.

Student intern selections and offers will be made by February 23, 2024.

We look forward to an opportunity to interact with students and provide them with an outstanding research experience here at the USMARC. I thank you in advance for your interest and for making our program successful.

Sincerely,

MARK BOGGESS
Center Director, USMARC