



**Application Form**  
**Back to the Future REU Summer Research Program**

Applications should be submitted by **5:00 p.m. (MST) March 2, 2025 (late applications may not be considered)**

**Important:** 1) You must be a US Citizen or Permanent Resident to be eligible for the REU Program.  
2) Late or incomplete submissions may not be accepted.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr./Ms. Last First Middle Initial

Local Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street City State Zip

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street City State Zip

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Status at the present time: Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Member for Recommendation (letter should be emailed to Michael.West@sdsmt.edu): \_\_\_\_\_

University: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept.: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Member E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Major/Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

In order to determine the degree to which members of the diverse segments of the population are reached by this announcement, so that all persons are afforded an equal opportunity for consideration, **REU Site: Back to the Future** requests that you fill in the appropriate block(s). Completion of this part of the application is voluntary:

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Minority: No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (If Yes, check one) Hispanic \_\_\_\_\_ American Indian \_\_\_\_\_  
 African American \_\_\_\_\_ Asian \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

- Required Check List:
- Applicant is US Citizen or Permanent Resident
  - Completed Application Form
  - I have attached 1 page Personal Statement that describes your interest in research and the REU Site focus
  - I have attached current College Transcripts (unofficial transcripts are okay)
  - Recommendation letter requested (reference **should email letter directly to [michael.west@sdsmt.edu](mailto:michael.west@sdsmt.edu)**)

How did you hear about the NSF **Back to the Future**-REU Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Student Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Application should be  
 emailed to:*

*Dr. Michael West, Associate Professor  
 South Dakota School of Mines & Technology  
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