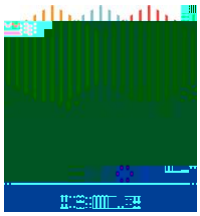

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Note: SURGE Learning Community will be run entirely online due to COVID-19 social distancing restrictions. This includes Training Director (TD) and graduate mentor (GM) office hours and any communications.

Program Overview

As part of your admission to the BUILD Fellows Training program, you are required to fully participate in the BUILD Summer Undergraduate Research Gateway to Excellence (SURGE) program. SURGE Fellows is designed to provide structured training activities and a support community to foster your

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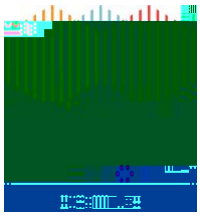
2. **Activity logs [20%]:** The BUILD Program tracks your weekly research training activities and hours to ensure you are receiving adequate hands-on research training for graduate school. Activity logs must be submitted by 11:59 pm every Monday during SURGE. Your GM will review and record the activities on BeachBoard by Tuesday. Grading is all or nothing for this assignment and is not based on hours recorded. No credit will be given for late submissions.
3. **Individual Development Plan (IDP) [10%]:** You will develop your IDP with plans for your academic and career goals.
4. **Assignments [40%]:**
    - **Graduate School Application Materials [15%]:** The major activity for SURGE Fellows is developing your graduate school application materials, ready to be submitted in the fall. Your graduate school application files will include: CV, Statement of Purpose, Diversity statement, List of Additional Prompts, Graduate School Excel Sheet, and Graduate School calendar with deadlines.
    - **BUILD Summer Symposium Poster [10%]:** You will present a research poster on the work you have accomplished during this summer at the virtual BUILD Summer Symposium on **Friday July 24, 2020 (5:30-8PM)**. This is a culminating research symposium for all participants, their mentors, and family members.
    - **GRE Practice Test [10%]:** GRE is a required component of graduate school application



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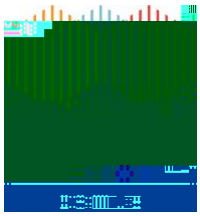
grounds for your dismissal from the program. The following instances of tardiness will also be counted as an unexcused absence:

- three instances of any length of tardiness;
- being late for more than 10 minutes to a Learning Community session without prior communication and permission;
- skipping a breakout session or the lecture component.

Faculty & Staff



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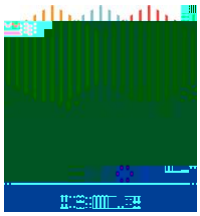
Tentative SURGE Fellows Schedule

Week	Date	Topic of Focus	Notes
Week 1	6/2 T	Orientation Introduction to Program (9:00-9:30am, jointly with Y1 Scholars) Safe Space Breakouts (9:30-10:30) & Syllabus Review (10:40-11:00) by cohort BUILD MOU/Culture Box (11:10am-12:00pm, jointly with Y1 Scholars)	HW: ¶ Watch grad school application process (module 1) ¶ Watch GRE preparation and expectation (module 2) ¶ Culture Box video due Friday 6/5, 5PM on One Drive, watch others before 6/9
	6/4 R	Panel Discussion with Y2 Scholars (9:00-10:30am, jointly with Y1 Scholars) Building the roadmap to PhD & Preparing for Graduate School Application (10:45am-noon with Fellows)	



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		SOP & diversity statement breakout (10:30am-noon with Fellows)	
Week 7	7/14 T	Draft Poster Presentation Feedback Breakout session (9-11:30am) Joint session with Y2 (11:30am-noon) Q&A on Financing grad schools with Dr. Bryan Rodriguez (Director of GSRC)	HW: ¶ Revise poster ¶ Upload interview notes for Heritage Project by 7/17
	7/16 R	BUILDing Success Skills II/RCR: Mentor-Mentee Communication (9-10am) SOP & diversity statement breakout (10:30am-noon with Fellows)	HW: ¶ Heritage Project Presentation due 7/21 on BB & in LC
Week 8	7/21 T	Heritage Project Presentations with family (Joint session with Y1 Scholars)	***Final Poster due Thursday 7/23, 5pm***
	7/23 R	Lightning Talk/Poster presentation practice	***Final CV & SOP full draft due 7/25, 11:59pm***
	7/24 F	**Virtual Summer Research Symposium (5:30-8PM)**	