



# UF | IFAS Research

UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA

## PATHTOPIONEERS

Training our future scientists and policy makers  
through real-world, hands-on research experiences.

### GOAL:

*Matching funds to double the number of undergraduate students funded each summer.*

The UF/IFAS Dean  
for Research Office  
invested more than

**\$185,000**  
in 2018

Since 2001, the  
program has grown  
from 15 to more than

**50**  
interns  
each year

In 2018, the demand  
outweighed funds  
available, and only

**21%**  
of student applicants  
were funded

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## Based on a survey\* of internship alumni:

Glen, a senior marketing analyst for the Home Shopping Network said, *"This internship developed and refined skills that I use every day in my career."* -UF/IFAS Food and Resource Economics

Lauren, a research civil engineer with the U.S. Army Corps said, *"This program gives a new appreciation for the research process."* -UF/IFAS Agricultural and Biological Engineering

Anamari, a city community planner said, *"I learn best from doing, and I have never forgotten my time working on this hands-on experience."* -UF/IFAS Wildlife Ecology and Conservation

Jaclyn, a biological technician for U.S. Geological Survey said, *"This program provides great work experience and builds important connections with faculty and researchers."* -UF Biology

\*survey published in 2015

## HOW IT WORKS:

**\$5,000 gift**



Supports one research intern including associated project expenses.

**\$185,000 gift**



Doubles the number of interns supported, and matched by UF/IFAS Dean for Research Office

Gifts may be donated now, pledged over five years, or included in an estate plan.

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