



2011 Aspirnaut Summer Research Internship
May 30, 2011 through July 8, 2011

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Stipend payment – Spending money

All stipends will be made payable to the student (in his/her name) in the form of a payroll check from Vanderbilt University. Generally, two payments will be made (one after four weeks and one at the end of the session). All checks will be mailed to the student's home address. Parents should make arrangements so that students have adequate spending money for incidental expenses. The program **STRONGLY RECOMMENDS** allocating \$30 per week minimum to cover the cost of snacks and movie tickets, fees for bowling or skating, etc. Parents may write checks to staff members that can be cashed for the students.

Student Independence - Chaperones

All participants under the age of 18 are required to be in the presence of an adult **AT ALL TIMES**. Whether going to lunch or walking to the library, all minors require accompaniment at all time. Resident assistants and junior mentors (undergraduate students over the age of 18) will coordinate so that minor students can conveniently go where they need to go.

Room/Board Considerations

Laundry is available – bring quarters!

TVs – are allowed in student rooms, but we strongly discourage this. A common TV will be available.

Internet / computer – no public computer is available in the dorm. Students may find it necessary to bring their own computers, though labs will have computers and libraries will also have computers.

Sheets – Students should bring their own sheets. Should be **extra-long twin** sheets.

Food preparation – A meal stipend is provided, but students may want to prepare some meals such as breakfast in the kitchen in the dorm. Basic utensils are provided.

Cars / Parking

Students under the age of 18 are **NOT** allowed to use private cars during their stay. If a student needs to drive to Vanderbilt in his/her own car, it will need to remain parked for the duration of the program.

Weekend activities

Students will need to coordinate weekend activities with resident assistants. See sample calendar for past options. Students are not required to participate in all activities, but must be in the presence of an adult at all times.