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Tianyi Sun

Dear Tianyi:

I am pleased to inform you that your request for support under the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) has been approved. The award for your project, *Improving Natural Language Understanding,* is as follows:

Stipend:	$1500	Dates:	01/01/21 to 04/30/21*
Expenses:	$0		
Total:	**$1500**		

*Please make sure you read the latest Covid-19 restrictions for undergraduate research at https://ugresearch.umn.edu/covid-19.

If your award includes expenses, please contact Sue Gustafson, the Accountant in Computer Science (your faculty sponsor's department) to draw on your approved expenses. The expenses funded by UROP for this project **must not exceed** the amount listed above and must correspond to those listed on the approved budget form (attached). The stipend portion of the award will be paid out through the University's scholarship system in two payments. Please see the attached information sheet on how this will work.

Please sign the enclosed agreement and e-mail it to munro001@umn.edu. If you are a first time UROP recipient, you will receive a free UROP T-shirt as further recognition of your award once you are back on campus. Upon accepting this award, you agree to complete the UROP Evaluation and Completion form at the end of your project. This form includes information on the required public presentation as well as a three page final report. These are essential components of your award and should be seen as the final step of your project. Information on the ending requirements is available on the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) web site. These will be due in OUR by the ending date of your award as listed above. **If you are graduating at the end of your project, you will forfeit your final $750 if all materials aren't in by your project's ending date.**

If your UROP project results in a published or presented work, please include the following credit: **This project was supported by the University of Minnesota's Office of Undergraduate Research.**

If you have any questions or ideas about the program or encounter any unexpected difficulties in fulfilling the terms of the award, please contact the UROP Coordinator in your college. This includes the need for any significant changes in your project or any problems you encounter in your relationship with your faculty sponsor. Your funds will not be in jeopardy. I hope that your

UROP experience will be enriching both educationally and personally. Congratulations on a fine proposal and best wishes for success with your project!

Sincerely,

Vicky Munro
Associate Director, Office of Undergraduate Research

Attachments

cc: Professor Maria Gini, Computer Science