Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme (UROP) - Plasma physics group

The Plasma physics group usually runs a number of research placements for undergraduate students over summer. The placements are open to outstanding students from either Imperial College or from other universities and are typically targeted at more senior students (2nd and 3rd years) who may be interested in applying to Imperial as a PhD candidate in the future.

Students are advised to first review the general information on UROP placements at Imperial College which can be found in https://www.imperial.ac.uk/urop/.

Some points to note:

- **Projects and supervision:** Some projects might be advertised on the UROP opportunities website (under the ‘Faculty of Natural Sciences’ tab), however researchers in our group usually don't advertise projects officially. **It is thus up to any interested students to contact each individual researcher with their intentions of applying for a project.**

  As a general guidance on possible projects, please have a look at the different research areas in plasma.

  Note that post-doctoral researchers and research fellows can also be potential supervisors for UROP placements as they do not form part of an assessed degree course.

- **Funding:** The researcher in charge of the project is usually responsible for supporting students with a bursary. We encourage students to go through the different sources of funding as knowledge on this aspect might encourage supervisors to take on a project.

  Note that funding linked to a UROP project is typically a bursary to help with living costs for the duration of the project, thus students not currently based at Imperial College or from abroad **must be able to find a way to cover the costs of flights, accommodation and subsistence.** We are unable to provide "complete" support packages for either UK or overseas students that can cover all such expenses.

- **Rough timescales:**
  o Projects are usually advertised (officially) around January, with deadline for applications usually a couple of weeks
  o **Important: Deadline for IC bursary applications around March**
  o Projects typically start around end of June / beginning July and can last for any period typically 8+ weeks.

For further guidance on UROP applications in plasma please contact Dr Francisco Suzuki-Vidal (f.suzuki@imperial.ac.uk). We kindly ask students to refrain from contacting our Head of Group and group administrator for such enquiries.

This document can be found in https://www.imperial.ac.uk/plasma-physics/opportunities/urop/ and was last updated in Jan/2017.