

SUMMER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS SCHEME (REPs)

Application Form (2026 entry)

Deadline for applications:

Thank you for your interest in the NERC-funded Summer Research Experience Placements (REPs) Scheme.

These placements provide undergraduate students with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in environmental research and develop valuable research-related skills

Please complete all required sections below. You may apply for **one project only**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last name	
First name(s)	
Email Address	
University currently attending:	
Degree Programme	
Current Year of Study	
Project you are applying for: (No. and name)	

Are you able to work in or around Edinburgh for the full duration of the placement (6-8 weeks between June and August 2026) – YES/ NO* delete as appropriate

MOTIVATION FOR THE PLACEMENT

Please tell us why you are interested in this Research Experience Placement and the project you have chosen.

You may wish to include:

- What interests you about the project or research area
- What you hope to learn from the placement
- How this opportunity might support your future study or career interests

Maximum 200 words.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCES

Please describe any skills, experiences, or interests that you feel would help you succeed in this placement.

These could include:

- Relevant university coursework or projects
- Laboratory, fieldwork, or data analysis skills
- Computing or quantitative skills
- Teamwork, communication, or problem-solving skills
- Relevant work, volunteering, or extracurricular activities

You do not need to have prior research experience to apply

Maximum 200 words.

INTEREST IN ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH

What has sparked your interest in environmental science or environmental research?

Maximum 150 words

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please include the following with your application:

- Interim transcript (if available)
- Reference from a current tutor
- Equality and Diversity Monitoring Form ([link here to complete](#))

Optional:

- Widening Participation Form

Completion of the Widening Participation form is voluntary. This information will not be shared with the project supervisors and will only be considered by the REP panel after shortlisting.

Please include all documents with your application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

DECLARATION

I confirm that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed:(Printed name is ok)

Date:

PRIVACY NOTICE- The information you provide in this application form will be used by the E5 DTP to process your application. We will only share this information with the prospective supervisors of the project you apply for and members of the selection panel to review and assess your application. Your email address will be used to contact you about your application. Personal data will be securely held for a maximum of 1 year after the application cycle ends if your application is unsuccessful. If you have any questions about your personal data and how it is managed, please email e5dtp.info@ed.ac.uk or refer to the University of Edinburgh [Continued privacy notice](#) for more information.