

## SUMMER STUDENT RESEARCH PROGRAM

### Research Report Guidelines

As a program requirement, **ALL** students awarded a summer studentship are required to submit a report at the end of the summer. Instructions for written research reports are listed below:

1. All reports must be written up and formatted for a scientific journal. Reports should not exceed five pages. They should consist of:

**Title Page and Abstract - Do not exceed 250 words.**

This should include:

- Title
- name of student
- name of supervisor
- department/lab where work was conducted
- source of support, e.g. Rx&D Summer Studentship
- period of time work was conducted (June - August).

**Introduction** - State reasons for performing the work, reference previous work on the subject and background information.

**Materials and Methods** - Sufficient information should be given so the reader knows how the experiments are carried out. Except where pertinent to the conclusions, precise descriptions of methodology are unnecessary, it should, however, be covered by references.

**Results** – If applicable, results should be supported by illustrations or tables (in addition to 5-page report).

**Discussion** – Describe conclusions from results and relevance to previous and future work.

**References** – Choose a standard format used in scientific journals and use throughout (in addition to 5-page report).

2. Attach Student Evaluation Form
3. Attach Faculty Evaluation Form completed by the supervisor
4. **PLEASE NOTE:** Papers in preparation or submitted to a journal for publication can be submitted in place of this report.

**Your report must be submitted as one pdf (with attachments) to [mrdo@dal.ca](mailto:mrdo@dal.ca) no later than October 31<sup>st</sup> or on the subsequent Monday if October 31<sup>st</sup> falls on a Saturday/Sunday.**