

SpaceTourist's Research Program (STaRR) immerses students in a 5-6-week collaborative experience, where, under the supervision of an experienced mentor, they pursue a topic of their choice given data from a citizen science database. At the end of the program, students submit their projects for abstract submission or create research posters and presentations.

The requirements for this program are;

- I. Verified enrollment in an academic institution (not applicable for homeschooled individuals)
 - A. Students must be in 6th-8th grade and living in the United States if desiring to participate in the program.
- II. Participation
 - A. **Students MUST be present for 80% of the program.** However, we are aware that as an extracurricular activity, sometimes the research program can demand a lot of attention from a student.
 - B. Students are allowed a total, cumulative break of 2 weeks.
 - C. Students failing to meet this requirement will not be allowed to complete the program, nor have scientific accreditation on the final presentation.

Research opportunities are hard to come across, and SpaceTourist's main mission is to level the playing field and inspire the next generation of scientists through its online, accessible, and rigorous approach. Participation in the program is a commitment, and respect to the mentors is necessary.

Upon application acceptance, students will be given a document to verify they have understood the terms and conditions listed above and a document verifying parent (if applicable) approval of participation.

Contact us if any questions arise regarding the application process.

Best,

The SpaceTourist Team