The Urban Massachusetts Alliance for Minority Participation (UMLSAMP) invites students from Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics disciplines to participate in undergraduate research. Undergraduate research puts theory into practice as you work on projects and are mentored by faculty who are experts in their field.

The UMLSAMP is an alliance of 8 institutions: the Universities of Massachusetts Boston, Dartmouth, and Lowell; Wentworth Institute of Technology; and the Community Colleges Bristol, Bunker Hill, Middlesex, and Roxbury. Their mission is to increase the overall number of students (especially under-represented minority students) earning degrees each year in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematical (STEM) fields.

In this effort, the UMLSAMP Program has funding to sponsor STEM students interested in research. The program will provide:

**Limited LSAMP Research Assistance Mini-Grants of $1000 each for the Fall 2010 semester** will be granted to select students. Awardees are expected to work at least six hours a week during the course of the semester in a research lab under the supervision of a faculty member. Each awardee is also expected to submit a written report and make a formal presentation of their work at the end of the semester.

**ELIGIBILITY**

The following guidelines will be used to select program participants:

- Applicants must be U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents.
- Applicants must be enrolled in a STEM-related discipline at UMass Dartmouth.
- Although every applicant has a chance of being selected, special effort will be made to select underrepresented minorities and those from groups having limited participation in STEM-degree tracks (African-Americans, Chicano/Latino Americans, Native Americans, Natives of the U.S. Pacific Islands, and certain populations of Asian-Americans, e.g., those from Vietnam, Laos, etc.).

**INTERESTED?**

- Complete and submit the attached application form.

For questions, please contact the UM LSAMP site coordinator – Tesfay Meressi; tmeressi@umassd.edu, (508) 910-6919, Dion 326.