**Application for Undergraduate Research position in the Belden Lab**

Please fill out this application in its entirety, name the word file “YOUR LAST NAME-Undergraduate Research application” and email to belden@vt.edu. Please use the file name in the subject line of the email as well. The entire application when completed should not exceed 3 pages. Review of applications will occur in mid-summer for August positions.

Students are required to volunteer their first semester in the laboratory. An evaluation will be completed at the end of that semester. If there is mutual interest in continuing, students can register for research credits in subsequent semesters.

**NAME**:

**Major**:

**Expected graduation date**:

**Email address:**

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**1. Why do you want to participate in undergraduate research? How would this experience contribute to your personal, academic and/or professional goals?**

**2. What do you hope to accomplish during your time in the Belden lab?**

**3. What skills and abilities would you bring to the lab?**

**4. Why does the research we do in the Belden Lab interest you? What specific project interests you most?**

**5. Please list all BIOL or biology-related courses you have taken and letter grades.**

**6. How many hours can you commit to working in the laboratory each week? Please also keep in mind that there is also a mandatory laboratory meeting each week.**

**7. Please provide information for two references that know you well and can speak to your reliability, work ethic and sense of responsibility. Please contact these people and let them know I may contact them.**

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