MSRI / Simons Laufer Mathematical Sciences Institute (SLMath) Berkeley, CA

Call for Proposals: SLMath Research Programs, Workshops, and Summer Graduate Schools

The Simons Laufer Mathematical Sciences Institute (SLMath, formerly known as MSRI) in Berkeley, California invites the submission of proposals for Research Programs, Hot Topics Workshops, Revisiting Fundamental Problems Workshops, and Summer Graduate Schools. The Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) of the Institute meets in January, May and November to consider proposals. slmath.org/propose

Research Programs

Pre-proposals for full- or half-year scientific research programs generally consist of concentrated activity in a specific area of current research interest in the mathematical sciences. Letters of intent to propose are also accepted. Planning of such programs is generally done about three years in advance. Except in extraordinary cases, a subject is the focus of a program not more than once in ten years. SLMath maintains a list of past and currently scheduled programs at slmath.org/programs.

Hot Topics Workshops

Every year, SLMath holds week-long workshops on areas of intense mathematical activity, proposed by the mathematical community.

Revisiting Fundamental Problems Workshops

This new annual workshop addresses fundamental questions in mathematics that have, for one reason or another, been abandoned or neglected. (Beginning in 2025-26)

Summer Graduate Schools

SLMath Summer Graduate Schools are usually two weeks in length. Some are held in Berkeley or nearby in California, others at partner institutions around the US and worldwide.

Submission Deadlines

- Proposals for Scientific Programs and Hot Topics Workshops for review by the SAC may be submitted by March 1st, October 1st, or December 1st of each year.
- Summer Graduate School Proposals must be submitted by September 1st of each year for annual review.

How to Submit Proposals

- Detailed information can be found at slmath.org/propose.
- Questions? Contact proposals@slmath.org.

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