How to Apply to REU CAAR in 2023 AND Advice

1. The deadline to apply is March 7, but I will be taking students before that point so apply EARLY.

2. LOOK at the PROJECTS and decide which ones you would be happy working on.

3. Click on the following link:
   
   https://www.nsfetap.org/

4. If you do not have an account at this website then create one. This website is where you apply to MANY REU programs, so it’s good to have an account. It will also still work in Summer 2024.

5. Once you create an account you should be able to easily get to the application for REU-CAAR. Search for CAAR should do it.

6. IN YOUR STATEMENT YOU MUST WRITE ABOUT WHICH PROJECTS YOU ARE INTERESTED IN, AND FOR EACH ONE (a) WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED, and (b) WHY YOU ARE QUALIFIED. Rule of Thumb: you should specify between 2 and 5 projects, but (1) this is NOT mandatory, (2) you should be HAPPY TO WORK ON those that you list, and (3) you can give a ranking as well in terms of what you prefer, though this does not mean you will get your top choice.

7. Include information about you that I cannot get from your transcript. For example, CS or Math competitions, or something interesting about you that connects to CS or Math or your project.

8. Transcript: Make it a transcript that includes Fall 2022 so delay uploading your transcript until January. Non-official versions of the transcript are okay.

9. You need 2 letters. The software seems to be set up to let you request as many letters as you want, but then you have to choose exactly 2 of them. So you can’t have 3 letters. If you want to have a 3rd letter writer then email both me and your 3rd letter writer and have them email a letter to me.