



MRL

FREDERICK SEITZ MATERIALS RESEARCH LABORATORY
CENTRAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

Starting Your Research at MRL

1. Submit a proposal

- <http://mrl.illinois.edu/facilities/becoming-user/university-illinois-all-campus-users>
- *Why?* MRL staff will evaluate:
 - whether your materials can be studied safely here and
 - if the equipment here can help you with your research.
- You will receive an email after your proposal has been reviewed by MRL staff.

2. Complete the “new MRL researcher orientation”

- <http://mrl.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/pdfs/Orientation.pdf> or take a “pink sheet” (available in the MRL main office) for instructions and dates.
- *Why?* To review lab safety and to show you how to work efficiently at MRL.
- You only need to do this once, before you start working at MRL.

3. Get training for each piece of equipment that you want to use

- <http://cmmserv.mrl.illinois.edu/schedule/login.asp>
- *Why?* To ensure that everyone can use the equipment safely and to keep the equipment in good condition for other researchers.
- If you have not been approved to use a piece of equipment by MRL staff, you are not allowed to use the equipment (you won't be able to reserve time on it).

Questions?

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Orientation questions: mrl-orientation@illinois.edu

Website: <http://mrl.illinois.edu/resources-mrl-users>