

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAM

A unit of the UW's Undergraduate Academic Affairs



About Us

The Undergraduate Research Program (URP) promotes and facilitates research opportunities for undergraduates in all academic disciplines. URP seeks to enrich the learning experiences of undergraduates and supports faculty and academic departments integrating student research into their curricula. URP staff offer advising, workshops, courses, funding information, connections to research projects and summer research programs, and public events for students to present their scholarly work.

"Participating in research at UW has created a whole new passion that I didn't know I had."

SUMMER QUARTER INFO SESSIONS:

Fridays, 2:30-3:20 PM, visit our website to sign up for a virtual information session.

FALL QUARTER ADVISING:

Our services and staff are available online and by phone. Visit our website to sign up for a virtual appointment. Link to the advising page:
uw.edu/undergradresearch/students/advising

STAY CONNECTED:

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www.uw.edu/undergradresearch/
www.facebook.com/undergradresearch

Benefits of Undergraduate Research

- Work one-on-one with faculty
- Sharpen critical and analytical thinking skills
- Prepare for graduate-level study
- Contribute to meaningful scholarly pursuits
- Clarify your career goals
- Extend your classroom learning

Getting Started

- Sign up for an Information Session on our website
- View projects on the URP opportunities database
- Visit Drop-In Advising
- Enroll in URP courses to learn more about getting involved in research:
 - General Studies 391: Research Exposed! (autumn and winter quarters)
 - General Studies 391 K: Undergraduate Research Intensive for community college transfer students (autumn quarter)

Academic Credit

Most students participate in research as volunteers or for credit. There are two ways to earn credit for research:

- Check with an academic adviser about how to register for research credits, as departmental policies vary.
- You can also register for General Studies 391. For more information, visit:
uw.edu/undergradresearch/students/credit



The Annual UW Undergraduate Research Symposium

May 21, 2021

Present! ~ Volunteer! ~ Attend!

The Symposium features oral, poster, performing arts, and visual arts and design presentations, which is a great way to share your work with faculty, peers, and the larger community. Through URP workshops, students gain valuable skills preparing their presentations.

Application Deadline: February 2021

All UW undergraduates involved in research are encouraged to apply and those not yet involved in research will discover that attending the Symposium is a great way to learn about the broad range of opportunities available at the UW.



Funding Your Research

Most undergraduate research positions at the UW are not paid positions. However, URP and affiliated programs offer a number of scholarships for students involved in research.

Mary Gates Research Scholarships

All UW undergraduates engaged in research may apply for a two-quarter \$6,000 scholarship to enhance their educational experience. More information: expd.uw.edu/mge/

Washington Research Foundation Fellowships

Support UW advanced undergraduate students who work on biosciences and related research projects under the guidance of UW faculty.

More information:

uw.edu/undergradresearch/students/funding/wrff/

Application Deadline: Summer 2021

Levinson Emerging Scholars Awards

Supports UW advanced undergraduate students who want to pursue creative and highly independent research in biosciences and related fields.

More information:

uw.edu/undergradresearch/students/funding/levinson/

Application Deadline: Summer 2021

The Undergraduate Research Conference Travel Award

Enables students to extend their research experiences by contributing to important discussions at professional conferences, and provides funding toward travel expenses and registration fees.

More information:

uw.edu/undergradresearch/students/funding/urcta/



Summer Research Opportunities

URP helps students to plan for summer research, find programs, and apply to programs at UW and elsewhere. Below are two of the summer programs coordinated by the UW Undergraduate Research Program. Visit the URP website for additional programs.

UW Summer Institute in the Arts and Humanities

Brings together four faculty and twenty students in seminar and tutorial-style sessions that encourage collaborative learning and independent thought. The institute theme changes each summer as determined by the faculty. Selected students receive a \$6,000 scholarship and 12 credits through immersion in scholarly research.

More information: uw.edu/undergradresearch/summer/siah/

Application Deadline: Spring 2021

Scan Design Innovations in Pain Research Summer Program

Offers immersive summer research experiences for UW students with faculty in both basic science and clinical research in the treatment of chronic pain. Students with backgrounds in biological sciences, psychology, nursing, social work, and/or engineering with interests in exploring research in pain treatment are encouraged to apply. Selected students receive a \$5,000 stipend.

More information:

uw.edu/undergradresearch/summer/pain-research/

Application Deadline: Spring 2021

Undergraduate Research Leaders

Undergraduate Research Leaders (URL) serve a central role to increase awareness and participation of undergraduates doing research in a range of disciplines. Students conducting research in the arts, humanities, and social sciences are particularly encouraged to apply. As a URL, you can motivate future undergraduate researchers!

More information:

uw.edu/undergradresearch/students/urls/apply/

Application Deadline: August 2021