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UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES

CUR events are in **indigo**, and CUR deadlines are in **green**

Proposal Writing Institute Registration Deadline
May 20, 2022

CUR Workshop: A How-To of Undergraduate Research in Online, Virtual, and Hybrid Courses (virtual) | June 21, 2022 at 11AM ET

CUR Conversation: Mentoring in Engineering Undergraduate Research (virtual)
May 25, 2022 at 2PM ET

CUR Workshop: Initiating Sustaining URSCI Programs (virtual) | June 21, 2022 at 12PM ET

CUR Swag Store Closes
May 27, 2022

CUR Workshop: Scalable Strategies for Advancing Equity with Inclusive Outreach (virtual)
June 22, 2022 at 11AM ET

Breaking Barriers: Undergraduate Research at Community Colleges (webinar)
June 8, 2022 at 1PM ET

ConnectUR 2022 Online Experience
June 23-24, 2022

ConnectUR 2022 On-Site Registration Deadline
June 10, 2022

Coffee Chat: Elevating Programming with Technology (virtual) | June 24, 2022 at 10AM ET

Annual Business Meeting (virtual)

- for Council Members only -
June 15-16, 2022

ConnectUR 2022 in Washington, DC
June 27-29, 2022

ConnectUR Online Registration Deadline
June 17, 2022

Proposal Writing Institute
July 14-18, 2022

AURA Award Nominations Letters of Intent
Deadline | July 25, 2022

Summer Workshop Series

A How-To of Undergraduate Research in Online, Virtual and Hybrid Courses: Proactive Practices for Distant Students is June 21 from 11:00AM - 4:00PM ET. This workshop will be a guide for anyone who wants to extend research opportunities beyond their traditional campus efforts. Creating research opportunities for remote students ensures educational equality and can be a way to expand faculty work-life flexibility.

Initiating Sustaining URSCI Programs is June 21, 12:00 - 3:00PM ET. Designed for individuals, departments, and campuses establishing Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Inquiry (URSCI) programs. Participants will develop a strategic plan and devise short- and long-term goals.

Scalable Strategies for Advancing Equity with Inclusive Outreach is 11:00AM - 4:00PM ET on June 22. Participants will gain tools and actionable steps to increase engagement in undergraduate research with innovative and budget-friendly outreach strategies as well as new ways of thinking about selection and the dynamics of belonging.

[Register for a Workshop Here](#)

Upcoming Deadlines for ConnectUR 2022

The **ConnectUR 2022** Annual Conference will provide a forum where attendees can draw on knowledge exchange, scholarship of teaching and learning, group discussion, and community building to expand their approaches to undergraduate research. This conference is open to all individuals with a commitment to or interest in undergraduate research.



Online, On-Site at the Capital Hilton in Washington, DC, and Bundle registration options are offered to meet everyone's budget and scheduling needs. The On-Site and Bundle registration deadlines are June 10; the Online registration deadline is June 17. **Housing rates** for the Capital Hilton end on May 27.

At-Large ConnectUR Support Stipend

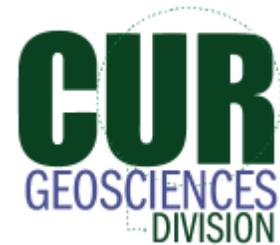
For ConnectUR on-site registered attendees affiliated with an HBCU, HSI, community college, or small liberal arts institutions of 3,000 students or less, \$250 stipends are available to help support your attendance at the 2022 ConnectUR conference. The deadline for nominations is May 31, 2022.

[Requirements and Additional Information here>>](#)



Geosciences Faculty Mentor Award

This annual award recognizes an individual who serves as a role model for productive and transformative student-faculty mentoring relationships and for maintaining a sustained and innovative approach to the enterprise of undergraduate research. Nominations are due by May 24, 2022. [More Information>>](#)



Upcoming Online Offerings

Join us on May 25 at 2:00PM ET for our latest [CUR Conversation: Mentoring in Engineering Undergraduate Research](#). This informal talk will feature the 2022 Engineering Faculty Mentor Awardees as they discuss their journey and ideas for excellence in undergraduate research.

Then on June 8 at 1:00PM ET, we are offering a free webinar, open to the public, entitled [Breaking Barriers: Undergraduate Research at Community Colleges](#). Featuring a panel representing numerous disciplines, they will discuss strategies for inclusive pedagogy, designing appropriate research experiences, and mentoring students for poster presentations, possible publications, and transfers to a 4-year institute.

Finally, begin your Friday, June 24, with a coffee chat at 10:00AM ET on the topic of [Elevating Programming with Technology](#). Join the discussion with your colleges as we share innovative ideas on how they have grown their undergraduate research programs, increased access and inclusion, and accomplished more using technology.

Stock Up on CUR Gear

Check out the CUR Store pop-up. We have CUR t-shirt, sweatshirt, and polo designs to help you look your best. But hurry as the store closes on May 27. All orders will be shipped at the end of June 2022, or you can opt to pick up your order at ConnectUR 2022. [Visit the CUR Swag Shop>>](#)



Deadline for PWI is May 20

The **Proposal Writing Institute** (PWI) will bring together faculty and administrators interested in preparing proposals for submission to external funding agencies. PWI will take place July 14-18, 2022 at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside and is facilitated by Paula Dehn Ph.D. The multi-day institute will consist of one-on-one work with a mentor, writing, small-group discussions, and critiquing of proposals. The institute has been developed to assist novice to experienced proposal writers in drafting complete and competitive proposals for submission.

Have You Seen April's President's Quarterly?

In the midst of NCUR 2022, we released the latest edition of the CUR President's Quarterly. From the executive board to CUR members, these messages will keep the undergraduate research community aware of the information, events, news, publications, and happenings of CUR. [Watch the video here>>](#)



What an Amazing April!

NCUR 2022 was April 4-8. This year over 2,600 scholars presented their undergraduate research! There were over 3,200 in attendance and 70 exhibitors in this year's Future Fair. A very special thank you to Dr. Buffie Longmire-Avital for opening and closing the conference.

Next, **Undergraduate Research Week** ran April 18-22. Over 25 institutions posted to our page the various ceremonies, symposia, and celebrations they were hosting. Several hundred joined us on Twitter using **#URW2022** to share their gratitude for UR and stories of their success because of UR. On April 21, we hosted the CUR Spring Celebration Ceremony, where we honored our Fellows, AURA, CUR-Goldwater Mentor, and Arts and Humanities Mentor awardees. [Watch the Celebration>>](#)

Finally, April 26-27 was **Posters on the Hill**, a critical element in CUR's advocacy efforts. 60 presentations were selected from over 170 applications. These 60 presentations represent 88 students from 59 institutes, 32 states, across all divisions. Posters on the Hill 2022 had several hundred in attendance. [Meet the Researchers here>>](#)

CUR Election Results

We are excited to announce George Mason University's Dr. Bethany Usher was elected as 2023-24 CUR President. Congratulations as well to the newly elected representatives to

the 2022-23 Executive Board: Dr. Beth A. Cunningham, Dr. Maria Iacullo-Bird, Dr. Kelly Mack, and Dr. Charlotte K. Simmons. Additional congratulations to the 75 new or re-elected division councilors to the CUR General Council. [Read the Press Releases>>](#)



Nominations for the 2022 AURA Awards are Open

CUR's Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments (AURA) recognizes all types of higher education institutions that have successfully implemented some or all of CUR's Characteristics of Excellence in Undergraduate Research, have devised exemplary programs to provide high-quality research experiences to undergraduates, and have evaluated the success of these programs. A letter of intent summarizing the institution's commitment to undergraduate research and highlighting a specific high-quality exemplary program is required and is due by July 25. [Specifics on the Nomination Process can be found here>>](#)

Featured Undergraduate Research Highlights

Choreography, Composition and Collaboration

Check out this story with attached videos of how Michigan State University Theater students collaborated with a local high school and used their movement to bring to life the high school students' words.

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Two Ways to Celebrate!

1. Has your institution written a piece about your students doing undergraduate research? Become one of our Featured UR Highlights by [sharing the story here>>](#)
2. Have you recently been honored by your peers or won an award? Make sure to tag [@CURinAction](#) when you tweet your good news so we can celebrate with you.

NSF Updates

The NSF has published a "For comment" draft of the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG) and are accepting comments from the external community until June 13, 2022. Any questions should be directed to the [Policy Office](#). The draft PAPPG is available [here](#).

What's Buzzing in the Community?

Be a part of the 2,000+ discussions that are happening now!

[Latest Discussion Posts](#)

The NSF has issued an updated [NSF Pre-award and Post-award Disclosures Relating to the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support](#)

Where to buy student conference poster stands?

[Add your voice.](#)

Latest Library Resources

[This Week in Washington - May 9, 2022](#)

[Check it out.](#)

Latest on the Job Board

[STEM Program Manager at Carleton College](#)

Do You Follow @CURinAction?

Are you one of our more than 2,650 followers? In April (due to the trifecta of Posters on the Hill, NCUR, and URW), we sent out 116 tweets, were retweeted 129 times, liked 368 times, and were mentioned by others 146 times. Our top tweet of the month was our announcement of Bethany Usher as our elected 2023-24 CUR President. [Follow @CURinAction here>>](#)



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