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RIT's Suzanne O'Handley Selected as 2019 CUR-Goldwater Scholars Faculty Mentor Awardee

Suzanne O'Handley, associate professor in the School of Chemistry and Materials Science at CUR member Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), has been selected as the 2019 CUR-Goldwater Scholars Faculty Mentor Awardee. The award, which consists of a plaque and $5,000 for the awardee’s research program and/or undergraduate researchers, will be presented at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research at Kennesaw State University in April. Selected from 10 finalists, O'Handley was recognized for her considerable achievements as a dynamic scholar, teacher, and mentor to numerous undergraduates.
Letters of Intent for CUR's AURA Award Due March 26
CUR invites applications for its highest institutional honor, the CUR Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments (AURA). This award recognizes higher education institutions that have successfully implemented some or all of CUR's Characteristics of Excellence in Undergraduate Research (COEUR), have devised exemplary programs to provide high-quality research experiences to undergraduates, and have assessed the success of these programs. Letters of intent from institutions are due by March 26, 2019. READ MORE

CUR's Chemistry Division Seeks Nominations, Outstanding Mentorship Award
CUR's Chemistry Division seeks to honor exceptional mentoring and advising by higher education faculty across all subdisciplines of chemistry with an Outstanding Mentorship Award. The award recognizes transformative mentoring and advising of undergraduate students in mentor-led chemistry research projects, of undergraduate students through the integration of undergraduate research into the academic curriculum and coursework in chemistry, and of undergraduate students and/or faculty by utilization of diversity and inclusion best practices in chemistry education and research. The nomination deadline is May 1, 2019. READ MORE

Planning for the 2019 UR Programs Conf at Ohio State? Read about Housing Options
Making plans to attend the 2019 Undergraduate Research Programs Conference at The Ohio State University on June 27-29, 2019? Information is now available on housing options. READ MORE

How Are You Celebrating Undergraduate Research Week 2019? Tell Us by March 31!
Undergraduate Research Week (URW) will take place on April 8–12, 2019, and CUR will feature a roundup of member activities on its website and provide highlights on its social media platforms during the week. For example, Florida International University will hold its 2019 Conference for Undergraduate Research on April 8, and the Psi Chi Chapter at Pennsylvania State University-Park will host its annual Undergraduate Research Conference on April 11. To submit URW activities, visit CUR's Showcase Your Activities webpage. To ensure inclusion, CUR members are encouraged to follow the instructions and submit items before March 31.

UR Media Mentions: AR, KS, KY, OK, TN, WV
Undergraduate research in the news:

- coverage of the continuing impact on students of the closure of University of Oklahoma's Office of Undergraduate Research

- the Undergraduate Research Posters event at the Arkansas state capital (including students from CUR members Arkansas State University and Arkansas Tech University)
Undergraduate Research Day at the Kansas state capital (including students from CUR members Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University, University of Kansas, Kansas State University, and Wichita State University)

the Posters-at-the-Capitol event in Kentucky (including students from CUR members Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University, University of Kentucky, and Western Kentucky University), with the governor declaring the day Undergraduate Research Day

the Posters at the Capitol event in Tennessee (including students from CUR members Austin Peay State University, East Tennessee State University, Middle Tennessee State University, Tennessee Tech, University of Memphis, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, and University of Tennessee at Knoxville)

Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol in West Virginia (including students from CUR members Concord University, Marshall University, West Virginia University, and Wheeling Jesuit University)

the role of undergraduate research at CUR member Marshall University in the local community and beyond

Deadlines Near for Undergraduate Opportunities

Deadlines are coming soon for the following undergraduate opportunities:

- Summer internships, National Endowment for the Humanities, app dline Mar 29, 2019
- Internship, American Folklife Center, Library of Congress; app dline Apr 1, 2019
- Internship, Smithsonian American Women's History Initiative, app dline Apr 8, 2019
- Climate, geoscience, plant biology internships, Carnegie Institution for Science; app dline Apr 15, 2019
- REU, Bermuda Inst of Ocean Sciences; app dline May 31, 2019
- Summer internships, National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center
- Elections Program Internship, Democracy Fund
2019 Student Financial Aid Research Conf Set for Atlanta
The Student Financial Aid Research Network will hold its annual conference on June 6-7, 2019, in Atlanta. Sessions will feature recently completed research on prominent issues such as student loan debt and nontraditional access. READ MORE

Publication Grants, Textbook & Academic Authors Assn
The Textbook & Academic Authors Association offers grants to both members and nonmembers for reimbursement of eligible expenses directly related to bringing an academic book, textbook, or journal article to publication. The next application deadline is April 30, 2019. READ MORE

CUR Events and Deadlines
Mar 15, 2019 / Application Deadline, CUR Psychology Division Student Travel Awards

Mar 15, 2019 / Nomination Deadline, GeoCUR Award for Excellence in Student Research

Mar 21, 2019 / Deadline for Art Competition, National Conf on Undergraduate Research, Kennesaw State Univ

Mar 22–24, 2019 / CUR Broadening Participation Institute, Whitworth Univ

Mar 26, 2019 / Deadline for Letters of Intent, CUR Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments (AURA)

Mar 31, 2019 / Nomination Deadline, CUR Math/CS Division Faculty Mentor Awards

Apr 2, 2019 / Deadline for Institutional Letters of Interest, NCUR 2023

Apr 8-12, 2019 / Undergraduate Research Week

Apr 11-13, 2019 / National Conf on Undergraduate Research, Kennesaw State Univ

Apr 12, 2019 / Early-Bird Registration Deadline, Undergraduate Research Programs Conference, The Ohio State Univ

Apr 19, 2019 / Application Deadline, Student Travel Awards, CUR Physics & Astronomy Division

Apr 29-30, 2019 / Posters on the Hill

May 1, 2019 / Nomination Deadline, GeoCUR UR Mentor Award
May 1, 2019 / Nomination Deadline, ChemCUR Outstanding Mentoring Award

May 23-25, 2019 / Second World Congress on Undergraduate Research, Univ of Oldenburg

May 31, 2019 / Application Deadline, CUR Proposal Writing Institute, Kentucky Wesleyan College

June 25-29, 2019 / CUR Annual Business Meeting and Undergraduate Research Programs Conference, The Ohio State Univ

July 11-15, 2019 / CUR Proposal Writing Institute, Kentucky Wesleyan College

Oct 18-20, 2019 / Transforming Undergraduate Research Culture and Curricula Institute, California State Univ, Chico

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