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U-Michigan’s Gregerman, UNC Asheville's Holmes to Receive 2018 CUR Fellows Award

Sandra Gregerman (director emeritus of the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor) and Bert Holmes (Philip G. Carson Distinguished Chair of Science and professor of chemistry at University of North Carolina at Asheville) will receive the 2018 CUR Fellows Award. The awards will be presented in early July at the 2018 CUR Biennial Conference at the Hyatt Regency in Crystal City, Virginia. The biennial awards are presented to individuals who have developed internationally respected research programs involving undergraduate students. READ MORE

CUR Biology Div Announces Mentoring Effort to Foster Course-Based Research Experiences

The initiative Mentoring the Integration of Research into the Classroom (MIRIC) of the CUR Biology Division seeks to provide long-term mentorship opportunities and support for individuals involved in developing and enhancing course-based research experiences (CUREs). The
division will maintain a database of individuals willing and qualified to serve as mentors in CURE-related efforts and will match mentors to mentees. READ MORE

Have Questions on Infusing Undergraduate Research into Campus Culture? Attend Free May 15 Webinar with CUR’s 2017 AURA Awardees

At a free webinar, representatives from the 2017 CUR Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments (AURA) awardee institutions will describe the programs, services, infrastructure, and cultures that they have developed to support institution-wide excellence in undergraduate research. “Achieving an Institution-Wide Culture and Practice in Undergraduate Research: Best Practices from AURA 2017 Awardees” will take place from noon to 1 p.m. ET on May 15 and feature the outstanding research programs from Denison University, Florida Atlantic University, and Hope College. AURA was inaugurated in 2015, building on CUR's 2012 publication Characteristics of Excellence in Undergraduate Research (COEUR). Register for this free webinar.

Apr 30 Deadline for CUR Psychology Div's Undergraduate Research Video Showcase Award

The CUR Psychology Division invites two-minute video submissions showcasing undergraduate research in psychology and neuroscience. Videos ideally should feature presentations, actual data collection, discussion of results with figures, and research context. Undergraduate research completed since April 1, 2017, is eligible for the competition. Prizes will be awarded for the best videos. The submission deadline is April 30, 2018. READ MORE

Jun 1 Nomination Deadline for UR Mentor Award in CUR Geosciences Div

In the CUR Geosciences Division, nominations for the Undergraduate Mentor Award will be accepted until June 1, 2018. This award annually recognizes an individual who serves as a role model for productive and transformative student-faculty mentoring relationships and for a sustained and innovative approach to the enterprise of undergraduate research. Applications from a range of institutional settings are encouraged. READ MORE
SPUR CFP, Big Data and Undergraduate Research (Proposal Deadline: Jun 1)

The theme of the spring and summer 2019 issues of SPUR: Scholarship and Practice of Undergraduate Research will focus on big data as a tool to promote undergraduate research. Five to six articles from a wide range of disciplines are sought that explore how the applications and use of big data serve to facilitate undergraduate research in a variety of educational and professional contexts. Some topics of interest include the following:

- Assessment of the impact of undergraduate research projects involving big data
- Promotion of undergraduate research through big-data projects across institutions
- Interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary applications of big data in the context of undergraduate research
- Ways that big data (or publicly available large datasets) have been leveraged for course-based research projects or for undergraduate research in online learning
- Technological applications in the use of big data to promote undergraduate research
- Applied research or community-based research using big data in the context of undergraduate research

The deadline for proposals is June 1, 2018. READ MORE

Submit Undergraduate Research Highlights for Fall 2018 SPUR

Faculty members, administrators, and students can submit Undergraduate Research Highlights for the fall 2018 issue of Scholarship and Practice of Undergraduate Research (SPUR) and CUR's online highlights database. Undergraduate Research Highlights briefly describe peer-reviewed research or scholarly work that has appeared in academic journals, book and book chapters, Web-based publications, and juried performances. These publications must be in print, must be from the past six months, and must include one or more undergraduate coauthors. Submit here by May 18, 2018.

Register for Apr 26 AGI Webinar on Professional Writing for Geoscience Careers (Cosponsored by CUR)

The webinar "An Introduction to Professional Writing for Geoscience Careers"—hosted by the Workforce Program of the American Geosciences Institute and cosponsored by CUR—will provide an overview of the writing skills developed by geoscience students during their undergraduate and graduate academic training, information on the skills and tools needed for nonacademic careers, and advice for students on how to acquire the needed writing skills as they prepare for and pursue their career paths. The first of a webinar series on developing
writing skills for a variety of geoscience careers, the webinar will be held on April 26 from 1–2 pm EDT. Speakers include American Geophysical Union’s Pranoti Asher, HRP Associates’ Bob Simmons, and former Georgia Department of Natural Resources program manager Ron Wallace. READ MORE

CUR EVENT Proposal Writing Institute—Jul 12–16, 2018 (Registration Deadline May 15)

The CUR Proposal Writing Institute at Georgia College in Milledgeville, GA, will bring together faculty members and administrators interested in preparing proposals for submission to external funding agencies. Attendees will work one-on-one with a mentor, write, and participate in small-group discussions and critiques of proposals. Prior to the event, participants will be able to access information that will help them begin to draft their proposal. Submit an application for the institute by May 15, 2018.

CUR EVENT CUR Biennial—Jul 1–3, 2018 (Registration Deadline May 29)

The 18th CUR Biennial Conference, “Creating Collaborative Connections in and through Undergraduate Research,” will take place at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, VA, on July 1–3, 2018. Faculty, administrators, staff, academic and community partners, and policymakers will share interdisciplinary investigations—both individual and collaborative—across local, national, and international contexts, as they showcase models of undergraduate research activities at all types of higher education institutions (learn more about the conference themes). Keynote speakers include the following:

- José Antonio Bowen (president of Goucher College)
- Freeman A. Hrabowski III (president of the University of Maryland-Baltimore County)
- David Lopatto (director of the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Assessment, Grinnell College)
- Robin Wright (director of the Division of Undergraduate Education, National Science Foundation)

The following workshops are scheduled:

- A Research Lab Model for Student Research in Mathematics. June 30, 2018, 1–4 pm, $65.00. This workshop will demonstrate a model in which multiple students work together on projects over multiple years, allowing for senior students to mentor students just embarking on research. Techniques will be discussed for reformulating single-student research projects as collaborative ones, developing healthy collaborative relationships among students, promoting meaningful contributions by
each student, and organizing the logistics of a larger group. Read the draft agenda, or register for the workshop. Address questions to Kathryn Leonard.

- **Dialogical Opportunities.** Individuals will work within a learning community for several months before the biennial, meet at the biennial to further their discussions, and collaborate to create at least one CUR-related written product.

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