10 Years of STAR Scholars:
Early Undergraduate Research Experience as a Catalyst for Individual and Institutional Transformation

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Drexel is currently ranked #88 in the US News and World Report Rankings for National Research Universities as of 2012.
Drexel received 52,033 freshman applications in 2012.

The Office of Undergraduate Research was established within the Pennoni Honors College in 2010.
Kara Spiller, first BS/PhD student to graduate from Drexel and member of the 2002-03 STAR Scholars cohort, received her PhD in Biomedical Engineering in 2010. She joins the faculty of the School of Biomedical Engineering in Fall 2012, after having spent a year in Portugal as a Fulbright Scholar.

STAR Scholars by College (per Cohort) 2002-2012

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LINK COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND COURSE WORK

Drexel was ranked #135 by the US News and World Report Rankings for National Research Universities in 2002.

Drexel received 21,718 freshman applications in 2007.
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Established the online Discover portal in 2010 to match students and faculty mentors on research projects. Mentors can post open research opportunities, and students can search these listings and apply for opportunities.

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