One More Week to Send in Your Abstract for ConnectUR 2024

CUR welcomes general and division-specific submissions that reveal what is on the horizon for students, faculty, and institutions in undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative inquiry. The theme for this year’s conference is Undergraduate Research: What’s Next?. CUR encourages submitters to share insights on how undergraduate research has, could, or will become a tool for future exploration. Explore Proposal Topics and Formats >>

UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES
CUR events are in indigo, and CUR deadlines are in green

- **Arts and Humanities Faculty Mentor Awards Deadline**
  Monday, January 15, 2024

- **Trimmer Travel Fund Award Deadline**
  Monday, January 15, 2024

- **Undergraduate Research Experience as Effective Training for Career Readiness: A Conversation Among Practitioners**
  Thursday, January 18, 2024

- **ConnectUR 2024 Submission Window Closes**
  Monday, January 22, 2024

- **NCUR 2024 Early Bird Registration Deadline**
  Wednesday, January 31, 2024

- **CUR Fellows Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research Leadership Deadline**
  Friday, February 2, 2024

- **Mathematical, Computing, and Statistical Sciences Division Inclusivity Award Deadline**
  Friday, March 1, 2024

- **Mathematical, Computing, and Statistical Sciences Division Mentor Award Deadline**
  Friday, March 1, 2024

- **Social Sciences Faculty Excellence in Mentoring of UR Award Deadline**
  Friday, March 1, 2024

- **Social Sciences Inspiring Creation in the Social Sciences Award Deadline**
  Friday, March 1, 2024

- **Community Engagement Meeting: CUR’s Annual Business Update**
  Tuesday, March 12, 2024
Join this free online gathering that will bring together undergraduate research mentors, administrators, and other interested stakeholders. Featuring short presentations hosted by the CUR At-Large Division and group discussions in breakout rooms to create shareable reports, participants will increase their expertise on how undergraduate research experience can be an effective tool for honing essential skills and competencies for life beyond graduation. RSVP Here to Join This January 18 Event >>

Grant Dialogues Agenda Released
Grant Dialogues 2024 is here to guide you on your funding journey. Key objectives include:
- Help getting started with a new grant-supported project;
- Practical guidance to enhance your grant-writing skills;
- Support and encouragement to pursue funding successfully;
- Collaboration and network building among stakeholders, faculty, sponsored research teams, and research officers.
Only a few guided spots remain!
Celebrate 2023 + Catch the Vision for 2024
Join us on March 12 from 2:00 to 3:00 PM ET to hear from the National Office staff and members of the Board of Directors as they highlight what CUR has been up to in the past year and present opportunities for future engagement. The Community Engagement Meeting: CUR’s Annual Business Update will be a great opportunity to engage the staff and get excited about the 2024-2025 membership year and beyond. RSVP for this March 12 Gathering >>

Share Your Institution’s Offerings
The Internship and Research Opportunities, Paper and Presentation Opportunities, and Student Journals webpages are always at the top of our most viewed web pages. Make sure your institution is well represented by submitting all of your offerings which are open to all students. Discover all our Student Resources pages here >>

CUR AWARDS
Don’t Miss Out: CUR Award Deadlines Approaching Fast!
Our community is full of undergraduate research leaders. Explore open organizational awards and deadlines to see where you or a colleague can gain additional recognition for thoughtful mentorship.

Arts & Humanities Faculty Mentor Award
The CURAH Faculty Mentor Award recognizes exemplary faculty mentors who are leaders and role models for those involved in undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative activities. This award provides opportunities to share and celebrate the inspiring stories of awardees and their work as mentors. Awardees
receive $1000, a plaque, and recognition at the CUR Awards Celebration. The deadline to apply is January 15, 2024.

**CUR Fellows Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research Leadership**
CUR Fellows Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research Leadership is now an annual award that recognizes a CUR member who is a leader and role model within the undergraduate research community and represents the values and ideals represented in CUR’s Characteristics of Excellence in Undergraduate Research. Awardees receive $2500, a plaque to display their achievement, recognition at the CUR Awards Celebration, and a slot to present at the ConnectUR conference to share their expertise and experience.

The deadline to apply is February 2, 2024.

**Silva Ronco Innovative Mentor Award**
The Silva Ronco Innovative Mentor Award recognizes original and insightful research work by a young investigator working with undergraduates that has had a significant impact in chemistry and the STEM careers of the students involved. The award consists of $2,000, a certificate, and recognition at the CUR Awards Celebration. The deadline to apply is March 29, 2024.

**Trimmer Travel Fund Award**
The Trimmer Travel Fund Award supports arts and humanities undergraduate scholars in presenting their research at professional meetings. The awardee will receive an award of $1000 and recognition at the CUR Awards Celebration. The deadline to apply is January 15, 2024.

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**DIVISIONAL AWARDS**

Below is a list of open awards for both faculty/mentors and students which are offered by CUR’s 13 divisions. This list is continually updated, so visit our [Divisonal Awards web page](#) for the most current list.

Biology Mentor Awards  
Biology Student Travel Awards  
Chemistry Outstanding Mentorship Awards  
Health Sciences Innovative Mentor Award  
Health Sciences NCUR Presentation Award  
MCS Division Inclusivity Award  
MCS Division Mentor Award  
Physics and Astronomy Nadine Barlow Undergraduate Research Support Award  
Social Sciences Faculty Excellence in Mentoring of Undergraduate Research  
Social Sciences Inspiring Creation Award  
Social Sciences Undergraduate Conference Awards

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**News from CUR Partners**

**New Year, New UR Strategy**
Check out [ForagerOne](#) to reach those 2024 goals.
And to impress your boss ;)

Featured Undergraduate Research Highlight

Supporting First-Gen Students Through Research

Christopher Newport University's Abi Sloniker lived the first-generation experience, but she began to realize she was not alone when she was offered a chance to do research on the topic as a Summer Scholar.

Continue Reading

Be Our Next Featured UR Highlight

Has your institution written about your student's experiences in undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative inquiry? Use the button below to share your story.

Share Your Story

Student Opportunities

Internships and Research Opps
- Success Through Academic and Research Scholarships from the US Dept. of Energy
- Cancer Research Summer Internship Program
  - Engineering Summer URE
- Maternal Child Health Careers Program

Paper and Presentation Opps
- LSU Discovery Day UR Conference

CUR Community Buzz

Latest Discussion Posts
- Official CURE Definition
- UR Symposium Scheduling Software
  - Speed Poster Sessions

Latest on the Job Board
- Visiting Assistant Professor in Neuroscience at Oberlin College
- Instructional Professor of Psychology at the University of Chicago
- Visiting Assistant Professor in Biology at Hampden-Sydney College

Resource Highlight: www.pathwaystoscience.org

Building partnerships to support diversity in STEM is a goal of the Institute for Broadening Participation (IBP). On their web page www.pathwaystoscience.org, they list over 600 different summer research experiences for undergraduates (REUs) and paid internships as well as other student resources. Visit their listing here >>
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