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Council on Undergraduate Research

2024 CUR e-NEWS
February 13, 2024



Monday, February 12, is the Last Day to Register

Grant Dialogues is here to help you navigate funding and grants in undergraduate research. The Guided track runs February 13-16 for those wanting a personalized approach. The Standard track runs February 14-16. Need help to decide between the two tracks? Check out the agenda to compare what's offered and then secure your spot to hear from grant experts, federal agency program officers, and other grant funders. [Register for Grant Dialogues Here >>](#)

UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES

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

Grant Dialogues

February 13-16, 2024

Physics and Astronomy Nadine Barlow Undergraduate Research Support Award Deadline

Thursday, February 15, 2024

CUR Conversation: Tips for Creating and Presenting Posters

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 2:00 to 2:45 PM ET

Biology Division Faculty Mentor Award Deadline

Friday, March 1, 2024

Chemistry Division Outstanding Mentor Awards Deadline

Psychology Division Mid-Career Mentor Awardee Presentation

Monday, March 25, 2024 at 2:00 to 3:00 PM ET

Silvia Ronco Innovative Mentor Award Deadline

Friday, March 29, 2024

Biology Small Research Grant Award Deadline

Sunday, March 31, 2024

NCUR 2024 at Long Beach, California

April 8-10, 2024

Undergraduate Research Week

April 15-19, 2024

Friday, March 1, 2024

**Mathematical, Computing, and Statistical Sciences
Division Inclusivity Award Deadline**

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**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

**How to Build a Professional Presence and Network on
LinkedIn - Online Training Series**

Fridays, March 8, 15, & 22, 2024
at 2:00 to 3:15 PM ET

**Community Engagement Meeting: CUR's Annual
Business Update**

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

CUR Conversation: Undergraduate Research + Press

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 2:00 to 2:45 PM ET

**An International Discussion on Undergraduate
Research: Online Gathering hosted by CUR At-Large
Division**

Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 2:00 to 4:00 PM ET

ConnectUR 2024 Early Bird Registration Deadline

April 19, 2024

**Voices of Impact: Stories from Our Participants, Expert
Insights, and the Path Forward - STR Showcase**

Thursday, April 25, 2024
at 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM ET

CUR Award Celebration

Tuesday, June 11, 2024
at 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM ET

ConnectUR 2024 Online

June 20-21, 2024

ConnectUR Onsite at College Park, MD

June 24-26, 2024

**Social Sciences Undergraduate Conference Awards
Deadline**

Rolling Deadline

The logo for the ConnectUR 2024 Annual Conference. The word "CONNECTUR" is written in large, bold, blue and green capital letters. The letter "O" is replaced by a colorful circular graphic with concentric rings and dots in red, orange, yellow, and green. Below "CONNECTUR" is the text "2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE" in a smaller, grey, sans-serif font. A thin green line with a small circle at the end is positioned above the "O" graphic.

CONNECTUR

2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Schedule at a Glance Now Available

ConnectUR 2024 is where individuals with a commitment to or interest in the practice of undergraduate research (such as faculty, mentors, administrators, VPAAAs, deans, directors, and others) gather to draw on knowledge exchange, scholarship of teaching and learning, group discussion, tangible and scalable practices, and community building in order to expand their efforts.

This year the conference theme is "**Undergraduate Research: What's Next?**" and will focus on revealing what is on the horizon for students, faculty, and institutions in undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative inquiry. **Check Out the Schedule at a Glance and Registration Options >>**

**Limited Spots Remain for this Upcoming
CUR Conversation**



Dr. Joseph Wirgau and Cora Burt
of Radford University
February 20 at 2:00 to 2:45 PM ET

Do you have students presenting a poster at NCUR or another conference? What tips do you provide them? How do you help students overcome a fear of public speaking? What qualities are present in great poster design? Join us on February 20, 2024 at 2:00 - 2:45 PM ET for a conversation about preparing students to create and present posters. Bring your questions and practices of excellence to this free CUR Conversation facilitated by Dr. Joseph Wirgau and Cora Burt of Radford University. [Reserve Your Spot Here >>](#)

Do You and Your Students Know How to Harness the Power of LinkedIn?

Join Colleen McKenna on March 8, 15, and 22 for *How to Build a Professional Presence and Network on LinkedIn*. This online training series of three 75-minute long workshops is geared toward helping students and faculty build a professional presence and network on LinkedIn. Individual access to the entire series is only \$15. Institutions can purchase a viewing party pass for \$200. Enhanced Institutional members and accepted NCUR student registrants have access to this event for free. Registration deadline is March 2, 2024. [Explore the Agenda and Register Here >>](#)



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 get excited about the 2024-2025 membership year and beyond. [RSVP for this March 12 Gathering >>](#)

Explore CUR's 2023 Year in Review

Explore the spirit of our undergraduate research community during 2023. The enthusiasm with which our community embraced new ideas, engaged with friends and colleagues, and expanded the footprint of undergraduate research is evident within these Year in Review pages. The strength, growth, and knowledge-building within our community showcase the remarkable strides we have

made together through the past year and outline the many promises a new year will bring. [Download the Year in Review >>](#)



CUR AWARDS

Silva Ronco Innovative Mentor Award

The Silvia 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 >>](#)

CUR Divisional Awards

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

Biology Division Faculty Mentor Award

Biology Small Research Grant Award

Chemistry Division Outstanding Mentor 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

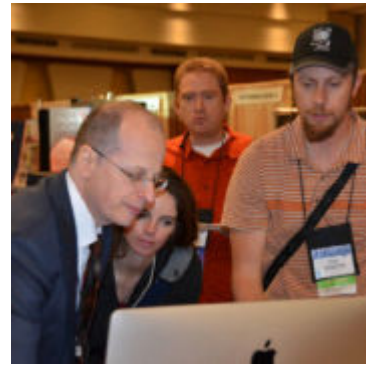
Social Sciences Inspiring Creation Award

Social Sciences Undergraduate Conference Awards

News from CUR Partners

STEM Students-- Have You Registered for the Environmental and Engineering Geophysical Society (EEGS) Symposium?

International attendees gather yearly to solve environmental and engineering problems with geophysics. Career advice, networking with students and seasoned professionals, and being a part of an elite group are available to you at SAGEEP 2024 this March 24-28 in Tucson, AZ. Live webinars, Student Chapters, discounts on meetings and membership, and job boards are just some of the benefits of Student Membership of EEGS. Check out our web page for more information: www.eegs.org.



Featured Undergraduate Research Highlight

How a 10-Week Research Program Led to a Job

Disabled Undergraduate Sustainability Researcher Helps Develop Microplastic Particle Characterization Library.

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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 Spotlight: NEA Research Grants in the Arts

Research Grants in the Arts funds research studies that investigate the value and/or impact of the arts, either as individual components of the U.S. arts ecosystem or as they interact with each other and/or with other domains of American life. The NEA welcomes research proposals that align with at least one of the priority topics and possible questions within the agency's FY 2022-2026 research agenda. Matching/cost-

share grants of \$20,000 to \$100,000 will be awarded. The upcoming deadline is March 25, 2024.

[Application guidelines are listed here >>](#)

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