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Council on Undergraduate Research

2024 CUR e-NEWS
February 26, 2024

Schedule at a Glance + Preconference Workshops Now Available for ConnectUR 2024

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's 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 Conference + Registration Information Here >>](#)



UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES

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

NCUR 2024 Registration 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

Psychology Division Mid-Career Mentor Awardee Presentation

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

NCUR 2024 at Long Beach, California

April 8-10, 2024

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

Undergraduate Research Week
April 15-19, 2024

Proposal Writing Institute 2024
July 11-15, 2024



Support Undergraduate Research By Attending Our Upcoming Student Conference -- NCUR 2024

The National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) is unlike other meetings of academic professional organizations. This conference offers a unique environment for the celebration and promotion of undergraduate student achievement in all disciplines; provides models of exemplary research, scholarship, and creative activity; and offers student career readiness development. NCUR 2024 is being held at the Long Beach Convention Center in Long Beach, California, on April 8-10, 2024. **Registration Deadline is Friday, March 1, 2024 >>**

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 >>**



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 >>

CUR Conversation: UR + Press

CUR Member Exclusive Benefit

What kind of undergraduate research stories is your institution or local newspaper looking for? What have you found to be successful ways to get publicity around your program and/or research? Bring your questions and best practices relating to undergraduate research and the press to this member-only CUR Conversation on March 19 facilitated by Jocelyn Anderson of the University of California – Davis. [Reserve Your Spot >>](#)



Jocelyn Anderson
of the University of California - Davis
March 19 at 2:00 to 2:45 PM ET



Excellence in Undergraduate Research from Around the World

Open to the UR community, this April 17 online gathering hosted by CUR's At-Large division will bring together colleagues from the USA, Canada, and beyond the pond for an international discussion of undergraduate research. Following presentations from an international panel, discussions in breakout rooms will focus on individual aspects of undergraduate research and then open forum conversation for knowledge exchange and to answer questions. [Reserve Your Spot Here >>](#)

Celebrate the 2023-24 STR Class

Join us on April 25 to celebrate the 2023-24 Scholars Transforming Through Research (STR) graduates. STR is CUR's prestigious advocacy program. Over six months of in-person and online training, these teams of faculty and undergraduates have learned valuable skills in communicating the impact of their research findings and the power of undergraduate research experiences. [Reserve your spot at Voices of Impact: Stories from Our Participants, Expert Insights, and the Path Forward >>](#)

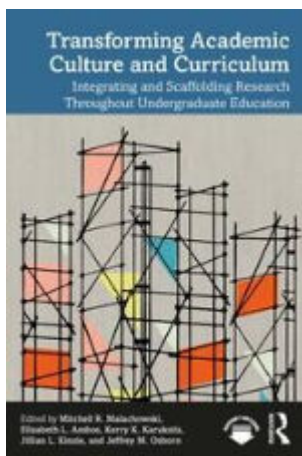


Scholars Transforming Through Research
Council on Undergraduate Research's Advocacy Event

CUR Transformation Publication Released

Transforming Academic Culture and Curriculum: Integrating and Scaffolding Research Throughout Undergraduate Education

A product of the Council on Undergraduate Research Transformations project, a six-year, longitudinal research study funded by the United States National Science Foundation, this text features the goals, strategies, and outcomes that evolved from the experiences at 12 diverse colleges and universities in creating innovative undergraduate curricula and campus cultures that



maximize student success. [Find out more about Transforming Academic Culture and Curriculum here >>](#)

CUR AWARDS

Silvia 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.

Arts and Humanities Division Student Scholarships (*opening soon*) - March 30 Deadline

Biology Division Faculty Mentor Award - March 1 Deadline

Biology Division Small Research Grant Award - March 31 Deadline

Chemistry Division Outstanding Mentor Award - March 1 Deadline

Engineering Division Leadership and Mentoring Awards - April 15 Deadline

Engineering Division Student Research Video Competition - April 8 Deadline

MCS Division Inclusivity Award - March 1 Deadline

MCS Division Mentor Award - March 1 Deadline

Social Sciences Division Faculty Excellence in Mentoring of Undergraduate Research - March 1 Deadline

Social Sciences Division Inspiring Creation Award - March 1 Deadline

Social Sciences Division Undergraduate Conference Awards - Rolling Deadline

Hear from 2023 Psychology Mid-Career Mentor Awardee

Hosted by CUR's Psychology division, but open to all divisions, this virtual talk will feature a presentation from Jen Coane of Colby College in Maine, the 2023-24 Psychology Mid-Career Mentor Awardee. Jen has



incorporated research in both classroom and laboratory settings. She has authored 18 peer-reviewed articles and 41 poster presentations with undergraduate co-authors. [RSVP here >>](#)

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

- Mental Illness Research, Education, and Clinical Center
 - Advanced Computational REU
 - Digital Agriculture REU
 - Interdisciplinary REU
- Sensing and Smart Systems REU

Paper and Presentation Opps

- LSU Discovery Day UR Conference

CUR Community Buzz

Latest Discussion Posts

- Quantify the Value of Professional Development
 - Tips for Creating and Presenting Posters
 - Canadian UR Network

Latest on the Job Board

- Assistant Professor of Social Work Instruction at Hope College
 - Instrumentation Specialist at Wellesley College
- Visiting Assistant Professor in Physics at Gustavus Adolphus College

CUR Membership Renewal Cycle Begins Next Month

Stay connected to the CUR community and keep up to date with what is happening in the undergraduate community by renewing your CUR membership. Keep your eyes open for your individual or institutional individual invoices, which will be sent out this March. Renew by April 17, 2024 to renew at the 2023-24 rates.

[Act Now to Review Your Membership >>](#)

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