

Call for Proposals: Responsible and Ethical Conduct of Undergraduate Research

Proposal Deadline: February 1, 2025

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For this theme issue of *Scholarship and Practice of Undergraduate Research (SPUR)*, 6-8 articles of 2,000–3,500 words each are sought that examine responsible and ethical conduct of research within undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative inquiry. We are keen for undergraduate research professionals, from across the globe, to share their perspectives, insights, and best practices on responsible and ethical conduct of undergraduate research across diverse academic settings. Three to five communications of 1,500 words also are also invited that offer succinct, creative approaches to the theme. All successful studies must include data collected using rigorous evidence-based methodologies (e.g., valid and reliable survey instruments, grounded theory for qualitative studies) supporting the efficacy of the approach and should be written, so that they are of interest and value to the diverse readership of SPUR.

Topics of interest include the following:

- Description of responsible and ethical conduct of undergraduate research practices within or across any discipline from the perspectives of undergraduate students, graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and/or faculty;
- Establishing, developing, and sustaining responsible and ethical conduct of research practices programming/curricula for undergraduate students;
- Design and evaluation of responsible and ethical conduct of undergraduate research practices including assessment tools within or across diverse academic disciplines; and
- Institutional policies and procedures for recognizing faculty contributions to responsible and ethical conduct of undergraduate research practices.

Submission details: Submit a 600-word prospectus to <https://spur.msubmit.net> by **February 1, 2025**. Your prospectus must be in the format specified template: [SPUR-Prospectus-Template_Sum23.pdf](#). Please indicate in the prospectus (1) whether you would like your proposed piece to be considered as an article or communication, (2) what form the assessment evidence will take, and (3) whether IRB exemption or approval has been secured for this work. Invited authors will be notified by **February 15, 2025**. All invited communications and articles undergo full peer review. Final articles and communications will be due **May 1, 2025** (for consideration in the Fall 2025 Issue).

Questions?

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