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Council on Undergraduate Research

2024 CUR e-NEWS
July 15, 2024

Who Will be Representing Your Institution?



CUR's Scholars Transforming through Research (STR) Program is a valuable resource for teaching your undergraduate research students communication tools for translating research into understandable language while also communicating the impact and opportunities that research can have. Participants engage in virtual skill development before traveling to Washington, DC, for visits with stakeholders and their representatives on Capitol Hill. **The STR submission window closes on September 20 >>**

UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES

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

Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments (AURA) Letters of Intention Deadline

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

ConnectUR 2025 Bundle Deal Deadline

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

Scholars Transforming Through Research (STR) Advocacy Program Submission Window Closes

Friday, September 20, 2024

SAVE THE DATE

National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) 2025 Submission Window

Opens = Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Closes = Friday, December 6, 2024

ConnectUR 2025 Submission Window

Opens = Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Closes = Friday, January 17, 2025

Register Now for the Biggest Savings for ConnectUR 2025

Here's what some ConnectUR 2024 attendees have shared with us so far:

- "I received many ideas to highlight with administrators to help with ongoing buy-in for our UR programs."
- "Being able to brainstorm about similar challenges with colleagues was meaningful."
- "I'll be thinking about how I can form partnerships to provide expanded research opportunities for my students."
- "I only started to work in the office of UR, so it was amazing to learn from people who have been engaged for some time."
- "I'm taking away lots of smaller and tangible suggestions, as well as larger-scale dream/passion projects."

ConnectUR 2025 will take place in Grand Rapids, MI, on June 16-18, 2025, and online on June 24-25, 2025. Want to get the best deal for ConnectUR 2025? Register for the ConnectUR 2025 Bundle by Wednesday, July 31, 2024, and you'll get next year's conference at this year's rates. **Get the bundle deal here >>**



Is Your Campus Ready to be Recognized for UR Excellence?

CUR's Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments (AURA) recognizes higher education institutions that have successfully implemented some or all of CUR's Characteristics of Excellence in Undergraduate Research, have devised exemplary programs to provide high-quality research experiences to undergraduates, and have evaluated the success of these programs.

Letters of Intent are due by July 24, 2024 >>

Still Need to Renew Your Membership?

We know that the end of the semester gets busy, so we have entered your CUR membership into a grace period until August 15, 2024. During this time, you will continue to have full access to the CUR Community, SPUR journal, CUR Conversations, CUR Job Bank, This Week in Washington weekly advocacy posting, and discounts to CUR events. Act quickly to renew before time is up! You don't want to miss out on the many benefits of your CUR membership. **Stay Connected by Renewing Your CUR Membership >>**



CUR is Now an SOA Partner

The STEM Opportunity Alliance (SOA) is committed to propelling the U.S. science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine (STEMM) community to its greatest potential by tapping our nation's culturally rich, innovative, and diverse talent pool to expand the STEMM workforce. SOA partners are implementing *STEMM Equity and Excellence 2050: A National Strategy for Progress and Prosperity*, which was constructed with nationwide community input and guidance during

SOA's inaugural year. Due to its scale and focus on enabling lasting systems change, SOA is uniquely positioned to achieve a STEMM ecosystem rooted in equity, inclusion, and scientific excellence to power progress, innovation, and prosperity for all by 2050. [Learn more about SOA >>](#)

Add Your Expertise to this Cross-Disciplinary Framework

Dr. Janet Branchaw from the University of Wisconsin-Madison is leading a research study to create a cross-disciplinary research trainee development framework based on published frameworks from multiple disciplines. The cross-disciplinary framework will define learning objectives for researchers at the undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral levels. As a person engaged in research training at your institution, you are invited to provide feedback on a draft of the cross-disciplinary framework.

[Complete this survey to provide feedback on the draft learning objectives >>](#)

Featured Undergraduate Research Highlight

Combining Interest in DNA with Research to Improve Farmers and Consumers

University of Missouri student researcher Danny Davis is crossbreeding heirloom varieties of corn to create healthier and tastier corn tortillas and whiskey.

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Be Our Next Featured UR Highlight

Has your institution written about your undergraduate research program? Or perhaps they have highlighted a student's experiences in undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative inquiry?

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Student Resources

Internships and Research Opps

- NASA Psyche Mission Inspired Creative Internship at Arizona State University

Paper and Presentation Opps

- Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference for Undergraduate Scholarship at Randolph College

Latest UR Journals Added

- University of Saskatchewan UR Journal
- Gyneca: Columbia Undergraduate Journal of Women's Health and Gynecology

CUR Community Buzz

Latest Discussion Posts

- Influencer and Creator Program
- Accessibility Guidelines for Posters and Slides

Latest on the Job Board

- Program Director, NSF Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation, Molloy University
- Assistant Professor, Physics, Gustavus Adolphus College
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Data Analytics, Ohio Wesleyan University

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