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e-Newsletter

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We will resume our interviews with Social Science Division Representatives in our July 2024 newsletter.

CUR's Annual Leadership Meeting- Recap

CUR's Annual Leadership Meeting (CUR's ALM) took place June 12-13, 2024 on Zoom. The meeting serves as the annual gathering of CUR's elected volunteer leaders, including Division Representatives, Councilors, and Board Members. Social Science Representatives and other CUR leaders are expected to attend. Social Science Division Representatives and Councilor should make note of their committee roles and responsibilities.

- Tiffanie Turner-Henderson - Social Science DEI Committee representative
- Jennifer Edwards and Ethan Ankrum - Social Science Division Social Media Committee
- Dee Sams - Advocacy and Strategic Partnerships Committee Social Science Division representative.
- Mary Rickard - NOC Committee Social Science Division representative
- Anne Price, Jennifer Edwards, Carol Strong, and Femi Odebiyi- Program Review Committee Social Science Division representative.
- Leslie Cecil, Ethan Ankrum, and Matthew Falls - Student Awards Committee
- Brian Lagotte and Christopher Josey - Faculty Awards Committee

Anyone still wishing to join a committee should contact Doreen Sams, Division Chair, by July 17, 2024.

CUR Election Results

CUR General, Division Representative, and Councilor Elections were held this past Spring, with results announced in March. New terms began on June 1, 2024. We are excited for those in our division who will be taking on new leadership positions and grateful to those who are continuing in leadership roles in the 2024-2025 year:

- Doreen Sams will continue as Social Science Division Chair
- James LaPlant will serve as CUR President-Elect

“The 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, potential impact, and opportunities this research can have. Participants will serve as CUR Advocacy Ambassadors and learn how to advocate for the impact of research with media contacts, community members, funding agencies, and governmental representatives.”

- Brian Lagotte, Social Science Division Representative, will serve as Social Science Division Vice Chair
- Jeanetta Sims will serve as Social Science Division Councilor
- Anne Price will serve as Social Science Division Secretary

Social Science Division Fall Meeting

The Social Science Division Fall 2024 meeting is scheduled for October 17, 5-6pm ET. Your input is very important, so please plan to attend on Zoom.

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7426714037?pwd=VW9qbHJjRnN6bVlxV0J6anRRZm1FUT09&omn=81995046468>

Meeting ID: 742 671 4037

Passcode: 326371

Bridging Disciplines: Collaborative Pathways in Undergraduate Research



Thank you to Tiffanie Turner-Henderson, Social Science Division Representative, for assembling the 60-Minute Online Panel Discussion: Bridging Disciplines: Collaborative Pathways in Undergraduate Research.

The Council of Undergraduate Research (CUR) seeks to encourage and support undergraduate research opportunities. The Social Sciences Division proposes hosting a two-part cross-division online series that aligns with CUR’s strategic plan and focuses on collaboration, advocacy, and community to further CUR’s mission. This panel discussion aims to foster a collaborative environment, advocate for the importance of undergraduate research, and build a robust and supportive community.

We believe this event will provide valuable insights and opportunities for all participants by encouraging interdisciplinary partnerships among faculty, students, and institutions, highlighting the importance and impact of undergraduate research, and creating a supportive network for students and educators. Additionally, it advocates for more financial support and resources, promotes diversity and inclusion to ensure equitable access to research opportunities for all students, builds a support network through mentorship in undergraduate research, and creates a platform for sharing and celebrating best practices.

If you are interested in being a panelist, please let Tiffanie Turner-Henderson and Dee Sams know as soon as possible.

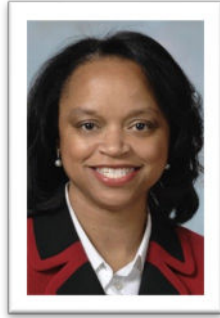
Segment 1 - Interdisciplinary Research Opportunities

Segment 2 - Funding and Resources for Undergraduate Research

Segment 3 - Mentorship in Undergraduate Research

Panel date and time TBD

Social Science Division Members Presenting at the National Communication Association Conference



Jeanetta Sims, Social Science Division Councilor has organized a panel at the National Communication Association Conference with multiple CUR Social Science Division members presenting. Jennifer Edwards, Social Science Division Representative, will be facilitating. **Theme: Communication for Greater Regard - Conference Dates: November 21 - November 24, 2024 - Conference Location: New Orleans, LA. Presentation Title: Greater Regard for Impacting Student Engagement, Career**

Preparation, and Institutional Success through Undergraduate Research. **Champion Facilitator:** Jennifer Edwards, Tarleton State University, jtedwards@tarleton.edu; **Presenters:** Doreen Sams, Columbia Southern University, doreen.sams@columbiasouthern.edu; Christopher Josey, University of Missouri, joseyc@missouri.edu; Lindsay Currie, Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR), lcurrie@cur.org; Jamie Gilbert, Valdosta State University, jamiieg3@live.com; and David Gaer, Lone Star College, david.c.gaer@lonestar.edu.

ConnectUR 2024- Recap

ConnectUR's virtual conference took place Thursday June 20-Friday June 21, 2024. ConnectUR's on-site conference was held June 24-26, 2024, in College Park, Maryland. Dee Sams and Anne Price presented at ConnectUR in the Advocacy and Partnerships/Collaboration and Community Track on "Preparing the Social Science Student through Mentored Client-Based Experiential Research Projects to be Competitive in the 21st Century Marketplace: Collaboration through Community Partnerships." The Social Science Division members attending ConnectUR also connected at the Division Open House and met attendees interested in applying to become Social Science Division Representatives.

Upcoming Opportunities and Deadlines

NCUR 2025 will take place April 7-9, 2025, in Pittsburgh in partnership with Duquesne University and the Pittsburgh Council on Higher Education. The submission window opens September 10, 2024.

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