



## UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES

CUR events are in indigo and deadlines are in green

### Strategies for Mentoring Undergraduate Researchers in Physics & Astronomy Webinar

Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 2-4 PM ET

### Social Sciences Division Undergraduate Conference Awards Fall Deadline

Thursday, October 31, 2024

### Psychology Division Undergraduate Student Research or Presentation Awards Fall Deadline

Friday, November 1, 2024

### SPUR Call for Proposals Deadline

*Mentorship Best Practices in URSCI*

Friday, November 1, 2024

### ConnectUR 2025 Submission Window Opens

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

### NCUR 2025 Volunteer as a Abstract Reviewer Deadline

Friday, November 15, 2024

### CUR-Goldwater Scholars Faculty Mentor Award 2024 Deadline

Friday, November 15, 2024

### Nominations Close for Board of Director Candidates

Sunday, December 1, 2024

### Nominations Open for the CUR Fellows Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research Leadership

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

### NCUR 2025 Submission Window Closes

Friday, December 6, 2024

### Early-Bird Rates End for Grant Dialogues 2025

Friday, December 13, 2024

### Nominations Close for Councilor, Division Representatives, and NLDC Committee Positions

Sunday, December 15, 2024

### Arts and Humanities Faculty Mentor Award Deadline

Friday, January 17, 2025

### ConnectUR 2025 Submission Window Closes

Friday, January 17, 2025

### Trimmer Travel Fund Award Deadline

Friday, January 17, 2025

### SPUR Call for Proposals Deadline

*Responsible and Ethical Conduct of UR*

Saturday, February 1, 2025

## Planning for the Future: CUR 2030

CUR is excited to announce that the Strategic Planning Task Force has officially begun the important work of developing the next strategic plan. This plan will guide our efforts to ensure CUR remains strong, future-focused, and deeply aligned with the needs of our community.

This fall, the Strategic Planning Task Force will gather data via interviews, surveys, and focus groups with the goal to hear from everyone in the CUR community. Your voices and perspectives are essential to creating a strategic plan that reflects our shared mission and vision of enriching and advancing society through undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative inquiry.

## Read more on the Strategic Plan



Get Involved +  
Have an Impact

- CUR is now accepting self-nominations for volunteers committed to advancing undergraduate research. **Learn more about these available positions:** CUR Presidential Path, Board of Directors, Councilors, Division Representatives, and the Nominations & Leadership Development Committee.
- Read more about CUR's organizational structure and the election process by watching **How Can I Get More Involved with CUR? Taking that Next Step to be an Elected Leader.**
- Volunteer to be an **NCUR 2025 Abstract Reviewer.** Administrators, faculty mentors, postdoc, and graduate students in all disciplines are welcome.



Celebrating UR  
Excellence

- CUR congratulates the 63 teams and 211 participants who were accepted to the Scholars Transforming Through Research (STR) advocacy program. **Read the full press release here.**
- CUR is now accepting submissions for the **CUR-Goldwater Scholars Faculty Mentor Award**, which recognizes faculty mentors who conduct their research in a STEM discipline and have mentored a minimum of three Goldwater Scholars during their career.
- The **Arts and Humanities Faculty Mentor Award** is accepting applications from faculty mentors with 10+ years of experience. Awardee will receive \$1000, a plaque, and will be celebrated at the June Awards Ceremony.
- Do you have an undergraduate doing research in the arts and humanities? Make sure they apply for the **Trimmer Travel Fund** for the opportunity to receive financial support in presenting their research at a professional meeting.



**"I attended Dialogues in 2021. I submitted an NSF Grant on CUREs a few months later, a proposal I started at Dialogues. I stayed in touch with other attendees to have accountability and to stay motivated. I found out that my grant is being funded! I feel certain that I would not have been successful without Dialogues."**

*- Amy Buddie, Kennesaw State University  
Psychology Division Representative*

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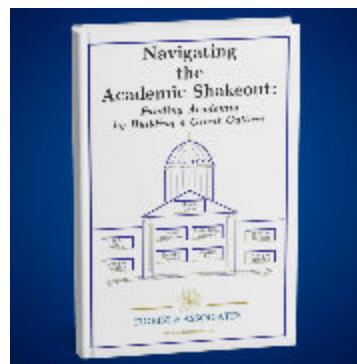
- **Grant Dialogues 2025** will bring together grant experts, federal agency program officers, and other funders to help you navigate the world of grants and funding. Whether you're just starting or need assistance along the way, Grant Dialogues is here to guide you on your funding journey.
- **NCUR 2025** is now accepting abstracts from undergraduate research students in over 50 different disciplines as well as abstracts for our mentor-led sessions. NCUR 2025 will take place in Pittsburgh, PA on April 7-9, 2025.



- Open to the entire undergraduate research community, make sure to register for this free webinar, **Strategies for Mentoring Undergraduate Researchers in Physics and Astronomy**.
- There are two divisional awards open for undergraduate researchers: **Social Sciences Undergraduate Conference Award** and **Psychology Undergraduate Student Research and Presentation Award**.
- The recording of October's URP Exchange webinar, *Policies and Attitudes towards the Use of AI in Undergraduate Research Proposals*, is on the **Undergraduate Research Program webpage**.

## News from Undergraduate Research Supporters

“Navigating the Academic Shakeout: Funding Academia by Building a Grant Culture” is a comprehensive look at building a transferable and sustainable grant culture, important because traditional academic financial sources are disappearing. Faculty can foster self-sufficiency through effective grantsmanship, which provides the best opportunity to enhance resources, develop programs, and enrich student experiences. “Navigating” is more than the simple step-by-step guide. It is a playbook for the grant landscape, easily customizable to any context without underplaying the depth required for establishing a robust attitude toward grant pursuit. The authors—a consortium of academic and industry professionals with over a century of combined experience—share their knowledge of how the process works, accompanied by real-life examples and practical assignments that will maximize an institution’s chances of long-term success. Available at **Barnes & Noble** and **Amazon**.



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