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Office of Undergraduate Research

What We Do

Housed in the Honors College and supported by the Office of the Provost and the Division of Research, OUR encourages participation in mentored research and the pursuit of major awards. The Office staff provides advisement, resources, and specific programs for undergraduate students through a broad range of initiatives, both in-person and online.

Conducting undergraduate research is integral to collegiate success. Research typically occurs outside the traditional classroom, which enhances students' academic and professional trajectory. Programs offered through the Office are intended to heighten student engagement; hone research, communication, critical analysis, and problem-solving skills; and promote self-reflection.



The Office of Undergraduate Research Services:

- Fellowships to pursue research and scholarly activities
- Course credit to perform research
- Funding to present research at conferences
- Informational sessions on how to get started in research
- One-to-one advisement sessions on research and scholarships
- Numerous online informational resources
- Faculty-led lecture series
- Practice scholarship interviews with faculty
- Opportunity to present at Undergraduate Research Day

OUR Programs

HERE 〈 Houston Early Research Experience

Two-week research program in May for rising sophomores and juniors. Participants are introduced to the fundamentals of conducting research.

SURF

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Full-time summer research experience open to all continuing students at UH. Participants also attend an academic and professional lecture series throughout the summer.

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Provost's Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Part-time semester research opportunity for juniors and seniors currently enrolled at UH.

MELLON (Mellon Research Scholars Program

Faculty-mentored opportunity for underrepresented students to conduct research in the humanities. Participants also benefit from lecture series and workshops.

THESIS

Senior Honors Thesis Program

Participants complete six hours of coursework while writing their thesis. Students graduate with the distinction of Honors in Major.

National Fellowships and Major Awards

The Office of Undergraduate Research supports students across the University in their applications for nationally and internationally competitive fellowships. The Office raises campus-wide awareness of opportunities and helps students create strong applications through intensive individual advising and support. Prospective and current applicants can take advantage of information sessions, workshops, interview training, and advising feedback provided by the Office.

Applying to national fellowships and major awards can be a critical component of any student's education. Such opportunities are instrumental in enhancing the academic and professional development of a candidate and provide valuable preparation for future applications, such as jobs and graduate school. UH students should consider applying to some of the following fellowships:

Sophomore Year:

- Boren Award
- Critical Language Scholarship
- Fulbright UK Summer Institute
- Hollings Scholarship
- Rangel Summer Enrichment Program

Junior Year:

- Truman Scholarship
- Goldwater Scholarship
- Udall Scholarship
- DAAD RISE Program
- Humanity in Action Fellowship

Senior Year:

- Rhodes Scholarship
- Fulbright Scholarship
- Marshall Scholarship
- Mitchell Scholarship

