What is the Undergraduate Research Program (URP)?

The URP is UW’s central unit for connecting undergraduates with opportunities for research. We recognize that we can play a critical role in closing opportunity gaps for students historically excluded from the research enterprise.

We work to promote social justice/equity by:
1) developing and offering programs, practices, and resources that amplify marginalized voices,
2) promoting more equitable access to research experiences, and
3) supporting research mentors in creating spaces that are welcoming and inclusive.

Undergraduate Research is for EVERYONE!

Research happens in all disciplines, not just STEM!

In many cases, no prior research experience or specific skills are required!

Your GPA does not reflect your potential to be great at research, try it out!

Many first year students get involved in research at UW - it is never too early or late to start!

4 Ways to Get Started:

Join us for info sessions and advising!

Search the Research Opportunities Database!

Enroll in GEN ST 391: Research Exposed!

Subscribe to the Undergraduate Research Newsletter!

Let's Connect!

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Funding Your Research

Mary Gates Research Scholarship
All UW undergraduates engaged in research may apply for a two-quarter $5,000 scholarship to enhance their educational experience.
**Deadline: Autumn 2022 and Winter 2023**

Levinson Emerging Scholar's Award
Supports UW advanced undergraduate students who want to pursue creative and highly independent research in biosciences and related fields. **Deadline: August 2023**

Washington Research Foundation Scholarships
Supports UW advanced undergraduate students who work on biosciences and related research projects under the guidance of UW faculty.
**Deadline: August 2023**

Undergraduate Research Travel Award
Enables students to extend their research experiences by contributing to discussions at professional conferences and provides funding for travel/conference expenses.
**Applications accepted on a rolling basis**

UW Summer Institute in the Arts and Humanities
Brings together faculty and students in seminar sessions that encourage collaborative learning and independent thought. Selected students receive a $6,000 scholarship and 12 credits.
**Deadline: Winter 2023**

Scan Design Innovations in Pain Research Summer Program
Offers immersive research experience in the treatment of chronic pain. Selected students receive a $5,000 stipend.
**Deadline: Winter 2023**

The Undergraduate Research Symposium
**May 19, 2023**
The Symposium features oral, poster, performing arts, and visual arts and design presentations, which is a great way to share your work with faculty, peers, and the larger community.

All UW undergraduates involved in research are encouraged to apply! Those not yet involved in research will discover that attending the Symposium is a great way to learn about the broad range of opportunities available at the UW.

Undergraduate Research Leaders Program
Undergraduate Research Leaders (URLs) conduct outreach in conjunction with the Undergraduate Research Program and are available to share their experiences with other undergraduates. As a URL, you can motivate future undergraduate researchers! Students conducting research in the arts, humanities, and social sciences are particularly encouraged to apply.

Research Café
Come to Research Café to make new connections, chat about research, and enjoy free coffee and donuts. Occurs every first Friday of the month from 9:30-11am at Mary Gates Suite 171!