

10 Steps to Get Involved in Undergraduate Research

The winter term is coming to a close and you may have missed out on making the most of it. Get a head start on your academics and your career by launching your undergraduate research profile next year.

1. **Jump into the FYRE.** You don't have to go far to find a course-based opportunity that can get you some credit and jumpstart your research experience. Search and register for classes in the new year with the attribute "[undergraduate research](#)".
2. **Wise-up with a workshop.** Uncover the skills and know-how you need to start or further your research. Experienced students give workshops all year long on everything from how to approach a professor to presenting your research. Check out upcoming topics and [register](#) now through the Library-PAL program.
3. **Sample the Symposium.** The USSU hosts the annual Undergraduate Project Symposium in the Winter semester. Submit your own [project](#) for a chance win a chunk of the thousands of cash prizes. Mark your calendar for the showcase to take in what other student researchers, scholars, and artists across campus are accomplishing.
4. **Scope-out a Summer Assistantship.** UofS faculty members from each college hire undergraduate students as research assistants every summer. If you're looking for a summer job – who isn't? – *and* you have what it takes to land a position, arrange to talk to a prof soon.
5. **Talk to a Prof.** It doesn't take much to strike up a conversation with one of our world-class researchers. [Build your confidence](#) by checking out faculty profiles, reading-up on their research, and setting up a professional chat to expand your network and uncover opportunities.
6. **Glance at the Journal.** The UofS Undergraduate Research Journal ([USURJ](#)) accepts submissions of undergraduate work from all disciplines on a rolling basis. Submit your strongest paper to the Journal and find out what it's like to get published.
7. **Rise to the challenge.** Academic and research challenges are happening across the country and globe, all year long and can elevate your CV. [Keep an eye out](#) for competitions and contests and be ready to take on the right one for you.
8. **Research far and wide.** Go global by landing a research experience outside of Canada. Student researchers are coming and going from the UofS. [Read](#) about student researchers who've gone abroad and reach out to opportunities to become one yourself.
9. **Find funding.** Why pay to do research when hundreds of awards are out there? [Check out](#) the funding opportunities on campus, throughout Canada and around the world, and start early.
10. **Share your story.** Do any (or all!) of the above and you might just have a story worth telling. [Submit your story](#) and join other undergraduate research champions at the UofS's Undergraduate Research Initiative.

Take the initiative. Follow the Initiative.

