

How to Get Involved with Undergraduate Research

Get a head start on both academics and career by launching your undergraduate research today!

1. SIGN UP FOR SURE

The Student Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) program is designed for undergraduate students conducting research in any form: course-based research and FYRE, honours' projects, capstone courses, Dean's projects, summer research work and more! Complete 10 hours of pre-approved programming during the term and receive co-curricular (CCR) credit.

2. WISE-UP WITH A WORKSHOP

Uncover the skills and know-how you need to start or further your research. USask Library Student Learning Services, Safety Services, CHASR and the SURE program all offer workshops and training – live and pre-recorded.

3. TALK TO A FACULTY MEMBER

Strike up a conversation with one of our world-class researchers. Check out faculty profiles, read up on their research interests, and set up a professional chat to expand your network and uncover opportunities. Note: there are workshops and an infographic regarding the best way to approach a faculty member!

4. SCOPE OUT AN ASSISTANTSHIP

USask faculty members often hire undergraduate students as research assistants. If you're looking for a summer job – who isn't? – and you have what it takes to land a position, approach a professor (see #3) and keep watch on CareerLink, LinkedIn and PAWS for job postings. Also: check out CHASR for more research job opportunities.

5. JUMP INTO THE FYRE

Are you new to USask? Jumpstart your research experience with a First Year Research Experience (FYRE) or other course-based research class! When registering, search "undergraduate research" under "Attribute."

6. SAMPLE A SYMPOSIUM

Submit your project (group or individual, all disciplines welcome) for a chance win a chunk of cash prizes. The SURE program hosts the SURE Summer Symposium to give summer assistants an opportunity to show off their work, and the USSU hosts a winter/spring Symposium to showcase honours, capstone and all other research.

7. PERUSE A PUBLICATION

The USask Undergraduate Research Journal (USURJ) accepts submissions of undergraduate work from all disciplines on a rolling basis. Submit your strongest paper and find out what it's like to get published.

8. RISE TO THE CHALLENGE

Academic and research challenges happen all year long and can be great opportunities to expand your research skill repertoire. Keep an eye out for competitions and contests and be ready to take on the right one for you.

9. SHARE YOUR STORY

Do any (or all!) of the above? You might have a story worth telling! Email undergraduate.research@usask.ca for a story prompt and be profiled alongside other undergraduate research champions in print or podcast!

10. KEEP UP TO DATE WITH UGR

Our continuously updated website is your guide to everything undergraduate research on campus! https://vpresearch.usask.ca/students/undergraduate/undergraduate-research.php . Or, follow us on socials!

