



2008 Summer Research Fellowships

The Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities (CURO) is pleased to announce the Call for Proposals for Undergraduate Research for Summer 2008. CURO awards Summer Research Fellowships to academically talented UGA undergraduates who participate in research during the summer term at the University of Georgia. CURO is a university-wide initiative and invites proposals from all departments, schools, and colleges.

In order to apply, students must submit the following no later than **Friday, February 15, 2008**:

1. an official transcript
2. a cover letter explaining the value of the summer research fellowship to academic and/or career aspirations or explorations
3. a one-page research proposal*
4. one letter of support from the sponsoring faculty mentor under separate cover to Associate Director, Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities, Dr. Pamela B. Kleiber, 203 Moore College, CAMPUS

In order to apply, the University of Georgia student must have a 3.4 grade point average, along with thirty UGA hours, and must also be willing to commit to the following:

1. Enroll in any two sequential Honors undergraduate research courses totaling six hours of academic credit during the summer semester: HONS 4960H, HONS 4970H, HONS 4980H, and HONS 4990H. The expectation is that approximately 320 hours of research will be invested in research during the summer session, arranged by the supervising faculty research mentor and the student. Students should not expect to take additional courses during this period, but take full advantage of an intensive, immersive research experience.

A stipend of \$3000 is awarded to each Summer Fellow. Students must register for these courses before they are eligible to receive the stipend. If, during the course of the Fellowship, the student withdraws from these courses for any reason, the stipend must be returned in full.

2. Participate in research forums with Summer Fellows and CURO staff throughout the summer.
3. Submit an abstract of the summer research to the CURO office by the last day of finals of summer 2008 semester, for possible presentation at the annual CURO Symposium in April 2008. Fellowship recipients are required to attend the Symposium even if their abstract is not accepted for presentation.
4. Participate in panel discussions with CURO staff throughout the academic year in order to contribute to creating a culture of inquiry at the University of Georgia.

* If your research involves human subjects, you must also submit a letter of approval from the UGA Institutional Review Board's Office of Human Subjects.

** If your research involves travel abroad, you must complete additional paperwork for CURO and the Office of International Education.

*** CURO invites proposals that would be competitive for inclusion in the first CURO International and Interdisciplinary Symposium in Costa Rica during Maymester 2008.

**** The second CURO International Symposium in Costa Rica is planned during Maymester 2008. This symposium intends to bring together undergraduates and professors in ecology (eco-tourism, conservation, etc.), visual and performing arts, creative writing, and policy from the US and Costa Rica.

***** Winners of the CURO Summer Research Fellowships will be announced by March 7, 2008 before Spring Break.