Welcome Back!

Welcome back from winter break! We hope you had a wonderful holiday and are having a great start to the new year! As the Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Conference comes up, we hope that you are continuing to work on your abstracts. If you need help in preparing for the conference, we have a number of workshops to help you prepare and present your research!

Winter Quarter Workshops

**How to Get Involved with Research Workshops**
In this workshop you can learn the skills about how to approach a professor regarding a research opportunity!
- Thursday, 1/18/18, 3:10-4pm in Meeting Room D
- Tuesday, 1/30/18, 1:10-2pm in Meeting Room D

**How to Write an Abstract Workshops**
Discover strategies to writing a cohesive abstract for the URC!
- Tuesday 1/30/18, 12:10-1pm, Meeting Room D
- Wednesday 1/31/18, 3:10-4pm, Meeting Room D
- Thursday 2/1/18, 4:10-5pm, Meeting Room D

**Undergraduate Research Conference Info Sessions**
The URConference Chair will discuss the benefits of presenting research and answer questions about the conference logistics!
- Wednesday 1/17/18, 1:10-2pm, Meeting Room D
- Friday 2/2/18, 12:10-1pm, Meeting Room D
- Friday 2/9/18, 12:10-1pm, Meeting Room D

**Techniques for Revising and Editing your Article**
Tuesday 2/6/18 4:10 to 6pm Meeting Room E

**Polishing your Article: Hands on Editing**
Thursday 3/8/18 4:10-6pm Meeting Room E
Upcoming in the Speaker Series

The Path is Made by Walking: Diverse Paths to Science Fuel Creativity and Help Communities
Rebecca Calisi Rodriguez, PhD, Assistant Professor of Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior at University of California, Davis
Monday January 22\textsuperscript{nd}, 2018 4:10-5pm at the MPR, SCC

No Longer Hidden Figures: Encouraging Diverse Mathematical Talent
Talithia Williams, PhD, Associate Professor of Mathematics at Harvey Mudd College
Monday February 5\textsuperscript{th} 2018 4:10-5pm at the MPR, SCC

Leading for Equality in High Education
Oscar Dubon, PhD, Professor of Material Science and Engineering
Vice Chancellor for Equity and Inclusion at University of California, Berkeley
Monday March 5\textsuperscript{th} 2018 4:10-5pm at the MPR, SCC

RSVP HERE: https://urc.ucdavis.edu/events/barriers.html

Reminders!

Presenter registration for the 29\textsuperscript{th} Annual Undergraduate Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities Conference is open now! The priority deadline is Tuesday, February 13\textsuperscript{th} 4:00pm and all applications are due by Tuesday, February 20\textsuperscript{th} 2018 at 4:00pm! Get more information here!

The Provosts Undergraduate Fellowship (PUF) Award application is due Monday, April 16\textsuperscript{th} 2018 at 5:00pm. PUF supports undergraduate students doing research or creative projects under the guidance of UC Davis faculty members. Students from all discipline areas are eligible to apply. Learn more!

The Undergraduate Travel Award application for Winter Quarter is due Monday, February 5\textsuperscript{th} 2018 by 5:00pm. The Undergraduate Research Center accepts applications for travel to undergraduate research conferences and meetings of professional societies to present research. More information here!
2018 Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Conference

Why apply for the conference?

1. Gives you an opportunity to learn how to write an abstract
2. Allows you to take complex information and synthesize it concisely to a conference presentation (a very good skill for the future)
3. Teaches you how to effectively interact with your sponsoring professor and others you work with

Who is allowed to apply? The conference is open to UC Davis undergraduates in all fields!

What qualifies as a research project? It must have been conducted under the supervision of a faculty member or a professional in the field

Who is the audience we present to? An audience of UC Davis faculty, staff, students, administrators, and family.

What are the presentation formats? There are 3 types of presentations:

1. Oral Presentation: Each student gives a 15-minute presentation on their topic and includes time for questions. The oral sessions are moderated by a faculty member
2. Poster Presentation: Each student will have designed a visual poster representing their research and will present their work to individual conference participants over a 60 minute session
3. Arts Exhibit: Students can display arts or design work and interact with conference participants in a one-on-one group setting. Exhibits would display best in a 3D environment compared to a flat poster surface.

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Undergraduate Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities Conference

poster sessions
Friday, April 27, 2018
3:00 - 7:00 pm
ARC Pavillion

Arts Exhibit
Friday, April 27, 2018
3:00 - 7:00 pm
ARC Pavillion

Oral Sessions
Saturday, April 28, 2018
1:00 - 4:30 pm
Wellman Hall

PrioritY abstract submission deadline is 4:00 p.m. on February 13, 2018;
Abstract submission deadline is 4:00 p.m. on February 20, 2018.

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Fixing Misconceptions!

I do not know how to write an abstract, I cannot apply to the conference.

There is still time to learn and apply! We offer workshops to help learn how to write an abstract. Check the dates and times on the first page or on our website!

I am not a great speaker and will forget things, I should not do an oral presentation.

Every oral presenter is allowed to prepare a PowerPoint and bring in notecards and other aids. We will also have workshops on speaking professionally as well! Remember: practice, practice, practice!

I am in the wrong major to be presenting at a conference like this.

Not so! Students from every major are welcome and eligible to submit an abstract for the conference. In the past students from all areas have presented, from foreign languages to communications to mathematics to art history! Take a look at past years’ Abstract Books to get an idea of what kind of research has been accepted and presented!

Contact Us!

If you’re interested in scheduling a one-on-one appointment or have an interesting story or tip about research to share for our issues, please contact Gabby or Meghal:

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