

## DISCOVERY

A monthly newsletter from the Office of Undergraduate Research, a unit of the Office of Research and Engagement



### Summer Research Abroad

Choose from 6 countries to spend the summer conducting research (Australia, Chile, China, England, Ireland, New Zealand, South Korea, or Spain). Research in English unless otherwise noted. A research-based internship provides you the opportunity to join an on-going research project for a short period of time, helping to clarify academic, career, and personal interests. Open to all majors and those new to research with a minimum GPA of 3.0.

[Read more about Summer International Research](#)



### Poster on the Hill

The Office of Undergraduate Research is seeking undergraduates to share their university research/scholarly experiences with lawmakers in Washington, D.C. for Posters on the Hill in spring 2018.

Hosted by the Council on Undergraduate Research, the event showcases 60 undergraduate students from campuses across the United States.

We are seeking undergraduates from all disciplines who have been significantly involved in the research enterprise of the university either with their own project or through meaningful involvement with an ongoing faculty project.

[Read more and Apply here](#)

**The deadline is 11:59 pm on November 1, 2017.**

Pictured above: UTK Students Andrew, Alex, and Colton met with staffers from Senator Lamar Alexander's office while presenting their research at the 2015 Posters on the Hill.

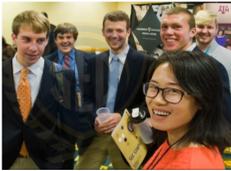
### Posters at the Capitol

We are looking for students interested in sharing their research with our State Legislators.

7 UT students will travel to Nashville and present alongside students from seven other

Tennessee universities. The event is typically held the last Wednesday in February, however the date has yet to be set.

Applications for the February 2018 event are due by November 7, 2017. Selected students will receive travel grants to attend this one-day event. Apply at <http://ugresearch.utk.edu/activities/posters-at-the-capitol/>



### Travel Grants

Showcase your research and represent the University of Tennessee at a regional, state, or national conference. We are pleased to announce the addition of an Undergraduate Research Travel Grants program to our program offerings.

Students presenting their work at conferences may apply for funds to partially defray the costs of registration and travel. The amounts awarded are:

- \$300 for regional conferences (TN and any contiguous state)
- \$500 for national conferences
- \$800 for international conferences

### Explore - Research assistant posting database

Are you looking for undergraduate research opportunities?

Use EXPLORE to search for faculty by academic department, view open on-campus research positions, and view off-campus research opportunities.

Log in to [ugexplores.utk.edu](http://ugexplores.utk.edu) using your UT NetID and search and apply for positions. Keep checking, we post new openings frequently.



### R-designation

Look for classes with the Research (R) designation in the course catalog. These courses have undergraduate research built into the course. You can also ask your department or advisor if there are any R-courses available for you. The R-designation will appear on your transcript allowing confirmation of participation.

### Call for Undergraduate Research Highlights for Journal

Submit Undergraduate Research Highlights by August 31, 2017, for the Winter 2017 *Scholarship and Practice of Undergraduate Research*. Undergraduate Research Highlights briefly describe peer-reviewed research or scholarly work in academic journals, book and book chapters, Web-based publications, and juried performances that have occurred within the past six months. They must be in print and must have one or more undergraduate coauthors. Email your submission to [ugresearch@utk.edu](mailto:ugresearch@utk.edu).

### Upcoming Deadlines to Present

Ready to present your undergraduate research? Or maybe you'll be ready by Spring 2018. We have some upcoming deadlines that are important for you to know!

**Tennessee Experimental Learning Symposium (TELS)** - Deadline September 20 (posters and orals in undergraduate research, study abroad, and/or service learning)

**Posters on the Hill** - Deadline November 3 (Apply 1-2 weeks before the deadline to give your faculty time for submitting their reference letters.) (posters only)

**Posters at the Capitol** - Deadline November 7 (posters only)

**National Conference of Undergraduate Research (NCUR)** - Deadline December 5 (includes posters, orals, art, theatre, dance, and other formats)

### Save the Date

A list of important dates for the academic year. Upcoming events, deadlines, seminars and more.

Posters on the Hill Nomination Deadline	Nov 1
Posters at the Capitol Nomination Deadline	Nov 7
Spring Semester Research Assistants Applications	Nov 22
NCUR Abstract Submission Deadline	Dec 5
HR Research Opportunities Travel Grant Deadline for Summer 2018 scholarships	Jan 3
Pursuit Submission Deadline	Ongoing
NCUR Travel Grant Deadline	Jan 28
Summer Internship Application Deadline	Feb 12
URSA's 9th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium (tentative)	Mar 24
National Conference of Undergraduate Research (NCUR), Elmond, OK	Apr 4-7
Campus-Wide Research Week	Apr 16-19
22nd Annual Exhibition of Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement (EURCA)	Apr 16-19
The Undergraduate Awards Submission Deadline	May 31

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