



2023- 2024 COHS Undergraduate Research Experience Program - Spring

The College of Human Sciences (COHS) Research Office and the Center for Transformative Undergraduate Experiences (TrUE) are pleased to announce the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Research Experience Program. This funding opportunity is designed to support undergraduate students who are gaining hands-on research experience working on COHS faculty led undergraduate research projects. Note that the program will provide for up to 2 undergraduate students to work on COHS faculty project(s) and it is open to undergraduate students of any TTU major (i.e., the students need not be solely College of Human Sciences majors).

Awards: Up to 15 awards of \$1,000 each will be made depending on the quality and number of applicants/proposals. Funds are to be used only for research expenses, which may include hourly stipend to the student, equipment and/or material purchases, subject payments and/or support for conference travel for the student to present their work (note: faculty travel support is not allowed). As a condition of accepting these funds, involved students are expected, before their graduation, to present their research at the TTU Undergraduate Research Conference (<https://www.depts.ttu.edu/true/urc/>) held in the spring semester or the TTU Transformative Undergraduate Experiences Symposium (<https://www.depts.ttu.edu/true/symposium/index.php>) that is held in the fall semester.

Application (2 page limit):

The application will include a research plan that highlights the role of the undergraduate student in the project with the following:

1. Description of the study (including the role of the undergraduate researcher)
2. Detailed timeline for project completion
3. Potential products of the research (e.g., presentation, publication, additional research)
4. Detailed budget and budget justification.

The purpose of the application is to explain the project and work the undergraduate researchers will do, rather than a personal history of the student.

Please submit 1 application per student.

Review Criteria:

Proposals will be evaluated based on

1. Submitting a complete application
2. Clarity of undergraduate researcher's role in the project
3. Feasibility/timeline of the project
4. Potential products of research
5. Appropriate budget and budget justification



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Proposal Review:

Proposals will be reviewed by members of the COHS Research Committee, who will make a recommendation to the Associate Dean for Research regarding which proposals are to be funded. Note that members of the Research Committee are eligible to apply but must recuse themselves during evaluation of their application. Award money will go directly to the departmental research account of the faculty mentor for distribution.

Application Due: February 2, 2024 by 5:00 pm (CT)

All award funding should be encumbered or spent by August 31, 2024.

Reporting:

Please email Malinda Colwell when the undergraduate student has been accepted at the TTU URC, TTU Transformative Undergraduate Experiences Symposium, or another conference. Please include the title of the presentation, mode of presentation (e.g., poster, talk), and authors of the presentation.