



## Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program

### Our Impact

The Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (**UROP**) at Boston University **provides funding for undergraduate students to participate in hands-on research**. UROP provides financial support for student research stipends, supplies, and travel. We strive to fund a broad range of research projects in the **humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, medicine, education, and the arts**.

Students who participate in undergraduate research often appear as **co-authors on publications or meeting reports** ([www.bu.edu/urop/news/published-students/](http://www.bu.edu/urop/news/published-students/)). Many students go on to graduate school, and their applications are enhanced by their undergraduate research experiences.

UROP funds undergraduate research during the fall, spring and summer. Summer is our most active time of year. We host approximately **250 students each summer as part of UROP** and our National Science Foundation-funded Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) program. Students participating in summer research conduct full-time research for 10 weeks. UROP holds weekly workshops for students with topics including research ethics, GRE & MCAT preparation, and select research speakers.

Each October during Parents Weekend, UROP hosts its **Undergraduate Research Symposium**. The Symposium allows UROP-funded students to showcase their research projects in a poster presentation. At the Symposium, more than 200 students present posters to an estimated audience of 600 students, faculty, staff, parents, and alumni.

Through dedicated funding we have made BU one of the **top places in the country to conduct research as an undergraduate**. Many students have told us that participating in research was the most **valuable and rewarding** part of their undergraduate experience. Undergraduate research can often help students focus on a future career path or area of study for graduate school.



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## Your impact

Here is how you can help us maintain and develop this program:

- \$100 to \$1000 will enable one to two undergraduates to purchase **research supplies**, conduct research-related travel, or **present research** at a conference, or can fund a **research prize** at our Annual Symposium
- \$4,000 to \$5,000 will fund **one undergraduate researcher** during an academic year or for 10 weeks of full-time research during the summer
- \$10,000 to \$20,000 will establish a continuing undergraduate **prize for excellence in research**
- \$100,000 to \$200,000 will provide an **endowed scholarship** for summer research for an undergraduate student
- \$300,000 to \$1 million will provide **scholarships** for a small cohort of students to conduct summer research in a specific discipline

With your support we can increase the number of undergraduates participating in research. Moreover, donations that provide sufficient funds for named awards will provide you with a personal connection to an individual student. Any donation to UROP will be used to directly support undergraduate research.

For more information, visit [bu.edu/urop](http://bu.edu/urop).

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