

# DISCOVERY

*A monthly newsletter from the Office of Undergraduate Research, a unit of the [Office of Research and Engagement](#)*



## Nominations Open for Undergraduate Researcher of the Year

This award, given at the Chancellor's Honors Banquet, honors a junior or senior student judged to have best demonstrated excellence in undergraduate research through independent inquiry, through classes, and student employment during his/her undergraduate career at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. [Nominations can be made here](#). **Nomination deadline is January 30, 2019.** (Pictured above is William Dillon Dunn, the 2018 award recipient.)



## EURēCA Registration Open

Have you conducted research with a UT faculty mentor?

If the answer is yes, we want you to present it at the campus Exhibition of Research and Creative Achievement (EURēCA)!

**Submit your abstract between now and March 10** to enter the 23rd annual exhibition to be held April 15 - 18. Prizes are awarded within each college and at the university level. While posters are the predominant form of presentation, students are welcome to submit entries as appropriate for their discipline. Submissions accepted at [eureca.utk.edu](http://eureca.utk.edu)



## Research Abroad in Summer 2019

Choose from 9 countries to spend the summer conducting research - Australia, Chile, China, United Kingdom, Ireland, New Zealand, South Korea, Japan, or Spain. Open to all majors with 3.0 GPA or higher. You will join an on-going research project, all conducted in English. **Deadline to apply is January 14, 2019.**

[Listing of disciplines and countries](#)

Learn more at our Summer Research Abroad info session **this Thursday, January 10 at 2:00 in Hodges 212**

[Read More and Apply Here](#)

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## Three Minutes to Win It Research Challenge

The Three Minutes to Win It Research Challenge is a competitive showcase of UT's undergraduate researchers through video. Submit your 2-3 minute video to share your research with others and for a chance to win prizes. Open to all undergraduate students. Use your creativity in filming the video - narrate, present, use graphics, PowerPoint, a unique setting, or props - anything you need to tell your research story. **The deadline to enter is March 4.** [Read more and enter here.](#)

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# Summer Research Opportunities

## ***At UT***

### Summer Undergraduate Research Internships

Applications are now open. Multiple internships of up to \$1,900 each will be awarded to support students who will work on a research or creative project with a UT, Knoxville or UTIA faculty mentor in the summer of 2019. **Deadline to apply is February 12.**

Learn more and apply [here](#).

## ***Off-campus***

### Oak Ridge National Lab (ORNL)

Get paid to do research at Oak Ridge National Lab this summer in a variety of STEM disciplines.

### National Science Foundation (NSF) REUs

Get paid to do research on another university campus this summer over 600 sites nationwide.

Learn more about off-campus opportunities [here](#).

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## Represent UT in Dublin, Ireland

Did you know you could be recognized internationally for your research? Submit a paper, project, or thesis that you did for a class (graded A- or higher) to The Undergraduate Awards. Top 10% winners will receive a trip to Dublin, Ireland to attend the Global Summit. Submission is easy and free. Participation this cycle is open to the Classes of 2018, 2019, and 2020. Participation this cycle is open to the Classes of 2018, 2019, and 2020.

**The deadline to submit is June 11, 2019.**

In 2018, 3 UTK students, James Halliwell, Joseph Platt, and Siori Koerner (pictured above, left to right) were commended for their work and traveled to Dublin to attend the Global Summit.

[Submit your papers or visual art projects now!](#)

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## Presentation Travel Grants

Showcase your research and represent the University of Tennessee at a regional, national, or international 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

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## **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 [ugexplore.utk.edu](http://ugexplore.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** for the next issue of *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).

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## Save the Date

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

Visit <https://ugresearch.utk.edu/calendar/> for more events and information on all activities.

Undergraduate Research Mentor of the Year (Chancellor's Award) deadline for nominations - **Jan 30**

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Summer Internship Application Deadline - **Feb 12**

Three Minutes to Win It Research Challenge Deadline - **Mar 4**

Research in Arts Scholarship Deadline - **Mar 9**

EURēCA Abstract Submission Deadline - **Mar 11**

National Conference of Undergraduate Research (NCUR) (Kennesaw State, GA) - **Apr 11-13**

URSA's 9th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium - **Apr 5**

Campus-wide Research Week - **Apr 15-18**

23rd Annual Exhibition of Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement (EURēCA ) - **Apr 15-18**

## Get in Touch

Are you an undergraduate researcher with news to share? We want to hear from you! If you have recently completed a research project, presented at a conference, or want to tell us about your fabulous mentor, fill out the appropriate form(s) below. (Faculty submissions also welcome.)

- » [Have you published or presented?](#)
- » [Have you been to a conference?](#)
- » [Submit an undergraduate research profile](#)
- » [Submit a story about UT undergraduate research](#)
- » [Submit an undergraduate research mentor profile](#)

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