

The CSI Undergraduate Research Stipend Program

Again this year, a limited number of Undergraduate Research Stipends are available to students through a competitive application process. Undergraduate Research Stipends will help support students engaging in research/scholarship in all disciplines under the guidance of a CSI faculty advisor. Applications must be future-oriented; funds will not be awarded for research/scholarship projects already completed.

The Council on Undergraduate Research defines undergraduate research as “an inquiry or investigation conducted by an undergraduate student that makes an original intellectual or creative contribution to the discipline.” Through participation in undergraduate research, students benefit from the guidance and mentorship of faculty members, gain research skills and contribute to the production of original scholarly or creative work, and often become more competitive for internships, fellowships, and graduate school. Students can develop critical thinking skills, oral and written communication skills, experience working on a team, and in-depth knowledge of a subject. Research/scholarship activities vary by discipline.

Successful applicants for Undergraduate Research Stipends will clearly identify how their research/scholarship supports the pursuit and achievement of their academic and professional goals through in-depth work in their major(s)/minor(s) or integrative cross-disciplinary work.

Types of Undergraduate Research Stipends

Awards of up to \$1,000 will be distributed. Stipends are to be used to support student activities, rather than faculty activities or research facilities. **PLEASE NOTE THAT CHECKS WILL BE COMING FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

Applicants are not required to be doing research for independent study credit, although those who are participating in projects for credit are welcome to apply. All research needs to be conducted between **January 30, 2017 and April 28, 2017**.

These Undergraduate Research Stipends are separate from research funding awarded by any of the Deans' offices.

Eligibility requirements

- Baccalaureate student (or Associates Degree student continuing immediately on to the Baccalaureate program)
- Completed application. For an application to be considered complete, you must submit **(single sided please)**:
 - **Typed application page**, signed by you and your faculty advisor. **(fillable PDF)** The faculty advisor is a member of the CSI full-time or adjunct faculty under whose guidance you are, or will be, participating in research.
 - Typed Proposal Statement (approx. 750 words) describing the research project, the goals of the research, the relevance of the research to your course of study and future goals, and how an Undergraduate Research Stipend would be used. Please include your full name and EMPLID on each page of your Proposal Statement.
 - Current resume/CV
 - Unofficial CSI transcript (from CUNYfirst)

Applications will be reviewed and stipends awarded by a committee of faculty and staff. Complete applications must be submitted to Jonna DeSantis in 1A-211C by 4:00 pm on Friday, January 13, 2017. **Applications can be submitted by email or in person and faculty can also approve the submission via email.**

Have questions? Call 718-982-2341 or email jonna.desantis@csi.cuny.edu.