

CRF Purpose

The Chancellor's Research Fellowship (CRF) is a competitive award that supports faculty mentored undergraduate research and creative activity projects.

Fellows receive:

- \$5,000 to support research expenses, travel to present at conferences, and stipend support.
- Monthly professional development workshops
- Opportunities to engage with faculty, and program administrators, and distinguished visiting guest speakers.

Program Eligibility

- Involvement in research, scholarly, or creative activity project under the guidance of a faculty mentor.
- Sophomore or Junior standing.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- To apply students must attend an application workshop. Schedule is available on the program webpage.

Program Requirements

- Fellows must attend monthly meetings.
- Fellows must present quarterly progress reports.
- All funded projects are expected to be completed by June 30 of the academic year award is funded.
- Fellows must present their research or creative activity at annual UCR Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Symposium.
- Fellows must be enrolled full-time during the award period.
- Fellows must participate in recruitment activities.

FAQ

Is this opportunity open to all majors?

Yes, students in all majors are encouraged to apply.

Does research have to be in my major?

No, research can reflect interests outside of your major, but you must work with a faculty mentor.

Can I work with a partner(s)?

Your research may be part of a larger project, but your portion of the research must be solely your own.

What if I plan to graduate mid-year?

You must be enrolled full time at UCR the entire academic year. You will present your research at the Undergraduate Symposium late in April.

How do I determine a budget?

You will work with your faculty mentor to determine the cost of research supplies, travel for research, travel to present your research at professional conferences, and the costs to produce professional posters, etc. Stipends up to \$4,500.00 can be requested. See your Financial Aid Counselor to determine your stipend eligibility.

How are the fellowship funds disbursed?

Research funds will be sent to your faculty mentor's department, you will follow their guidelines for disbursement. Stipend funds will be disbursed through the Student Business Office.

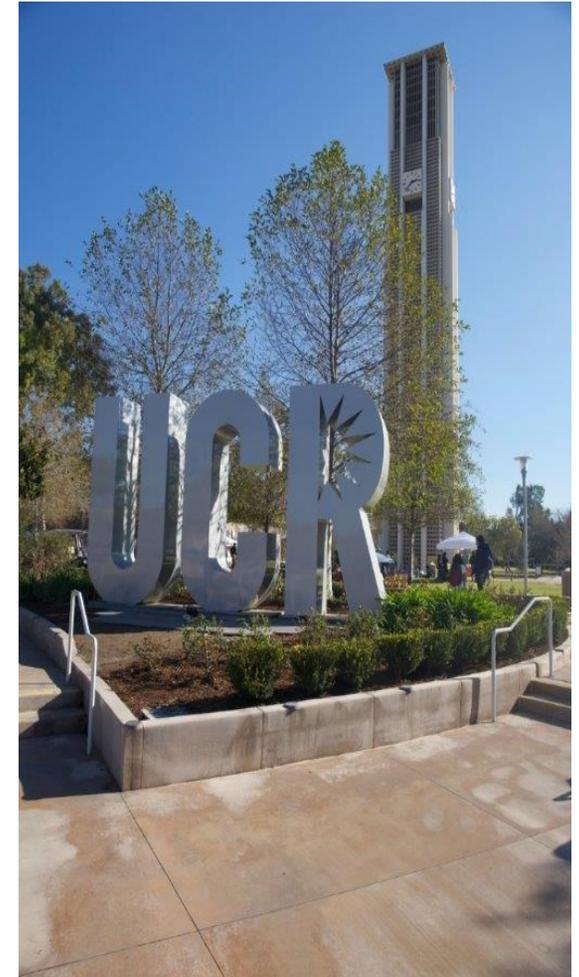
How do I apply?

Apply online at:

ugr.ucr.edu/chancellor_fellowship

For additional questions, contact:

ugr@ucr.edu



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We're UCR undergrads like you!

"The CRF has provided me the opportunity to work closely with my faculty mentor. I have grown professionally and personally by leaps and bounds. I've been challenged and rewarded. This award has opened the door to many enriching opportunities.

- **Boi Quach, Bioengineering**



"The experiences I have had as a CRF have given me the confidence, focus, and determination to be prepared for the challenge that is graduate school. To future Chancellor's Research Fellows, remember to continue having conversations with

your research mentors and colleagues, some of the greatest ideas may come from these discussions."

- **Elma Frias, Neuroscience and Music**

"The CRF award really helped me to pursue opportunities relevant to my research that will strengthen the overall quality of my project."

- **Martha Nunez Ornelas, Physics**

"The CRF provides an opportunity for undergraduates to secure funding for an original project. It speaks to UCR's commitment as a campus to foster the intellectual development of students outside of the classroom. The CRF is an invaluable experience because it provides a window into life as a graduate student. Fellows meet monthly for professional development workshops and are encouraged to present their research at campus, state, and national meetings."

- **Connor Richards, Physics**



Dive Into Research!



"Being a CRF has allowed me to become immersed in my research in a way that I never thought would be possible as an undergraduate student. Not only have I acquired knowledge and an advanced skill set in my field, I have also been introduced

to the outstanding research taking place in a wide range of disciplines across campus. My advice for prospective students is to not be intimidated by the intensity of the application - the challenge of writing a competitive proposal will reward you by transforming your current understanding in your field."

- **Geoff Provonost, Biochemistry**



"As a CRF, I have gained the opportunity to understand the multidisciplinary research of my peers and have developed succinct public speaking skills, but most importantly, I have learned to take a chance! I would encourage anyone

who thinks they might have the slightest academic question they would like to research to take the chance and develop that simple question in to something greater and apply! You never know if the simple question you asked yourself while wandering in class might become your biggest project, I know mine did."

- **Nicole Perez, Psychology**

"As a CRF, I have gained confidence. Confidence to perform and present research. Confidence to pursue graduate school. The confidence to lead and the confidence to attempt to better myself through everything that I do."

- **James Colbath, Biology**

Our Success Stories!

"As a CRF I have expanded my resources to work with people from all over the United States. With the guidance and encouragement I've received from research advisors, university administration, and other CRF Fellows, I've been able to break out of my comfort zone and further my goals in research and outreach." - **Leah Rosario, Political Science/Law and Society**

"As a CRF have been able to become a leader of my own research and think critically on a level I never have before. My advice to future fellows is to take advantage of the opportunity being provided--work on building professional relationships with your mentor that you normally would not had the chance to do as an undergraduate."

- **Allison Cid, Microbiology**



"Becoming a CRF has helped me gain an edge among many undergraduates who also participate in research. This competitive fellowship has helped me boost my confidence as a researcher in my field. For those who want to distinguish themselves from other fellow researchers it is highly encouraged to apply for the CRF. Applying will be the first step among many to get other exciting opportunities offered in this program."

- **Stephanie Gamez, Biology**



"Trust yourself, your abilities and your ideas, because your mentors, peers, Chancellors research selection committee trust that you will undertake a worthy research project." - **Mark Forde, Political Science/ International Relations**