

# UNDERGRADUATE Research

## Now accepting proposals for 2022 Summer Collaborative Grants!

CSB/SJU Undergraduate Research has committed to funding a total of 13 student-faculty collaborative teams to work on a wide range of research and creative work projects. These funds are available to ALL disciplines and are distinct from traditional departmental lines held by each department. Undergraduate Research recognizes the importance of centering Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in our on-campus research efforts; as a result, we are excited to share that **2 of the 13 projects chosen for funding this year** will have a specific emphasis on DEI work.

If you are interested in mentoring a student collaborator over Summer 2022 and have a well-designed project, please consider applying. [Please click here to view the prompts and submit your proposal.](#)

The grant funds student stipends for 10 weeks of full-time paid research worth nearly \$6,000. After projects are approved, students may apply for up to an additional \$600 in funding for project supplies, etc. through the UR Grant Program. Faculty mentors may apply for the stipend of \$1,500 for mentoring one or multiple students during the summer. (Note: the stipend amount does not increase for mentoring multiple students from other funding sources).

Proposals must account for 400 hours of summer work, recognizing that the students may not log more than 40 hours per week.

### Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- 1) Quality of student role
- 2) Benefits to the student (please include specific examples)
- 3) Quality of faculty mentorship, including considerations for addressing DEI (please include specific examples)
  - *For example: expose students to DEI issues in the field through discussion and reflection, create an inclusive students research experience and group, build and support a team of students from diverse backgrounds, ensure hours of research are flexible enough to support students who may need to incorporate other things into their summers.*
- 4) Clarity and feasibility of goals and potential outcomes
- 5) Clarity and feasibility of timeline
- 6) Benefits to faculty

### Additional criteria for DEI Grant Applications:

- 1) Project description and how it addresses Diversity, Equity, and/or, Inclusion

Proposals will consist of written responses to prompts in Forms Manager [at this link](#). Please note the word limits.

## Review Process

Applications are due by **11:59 pm on Friday, January 21, 2022**, and will be reviewed and vetted by the Undergraduate Research Faculty Advisory Committee. Succinct responses are appreciated. Our goal is to notify faculty members by the end of February. Faculty members whose projects are approved for funding may then proceed to recruit students for the funded position.

### Please consider the following guidelines in your proposal:

- Any project involving Human Participants must apply for IRB approval, and you must address this in your proposal. Note that these timelines take longer during the summer, and no full reviews occur during the summer.
  - If the proposal requires a Full IRB review, the project must be IRB-approved by May 1.
  - If the proposal requires Expedited or Exempt review, please account for the IRB review process taking approximately 2-3 weeks.
- No more than 1 project proposal will be considered per faculty member
- No more than 1 student researcher will be granted per project. It is ok to have a student collaborator in mind, please DO NOT include their name in the proposal.
- Non-tenured faculty members will be given priority (tenure status to be indicated by applicant on the form), as well as never before funded faculty.
- Faculty members whose departments do not have other summer funding available (i.e., departmental lines dedicated to research, grants, etc.) will be given priority (other funding sources to be indicated by applicant on the form).

### Support for Proposal Development:

Undergraduate Research is pleased to share the launch of our [Collaborative Grant Proposal Development Support Page](#), where faculty can access the evaluation rubric, view examples of successful past proposals, and connect with faculty liaisons in a variety of disciplines that you can connect with to ask questions and share ideas as you work on your proposals.

If you have questions, please contact Undergraduate Research for additional support at [lgutsch001@csbsju.edu](mailto:lgutsch001@csbsju.edu).