

Sam Houston State University
College of Sciences (COS)
Undergraduate Research Awards

About the Program

Purpose:

The purpose of the COS Undergraduate Research Awards program is to encourage the participation of undergraduate students in scholarly research. Funding is intended to support undergraduate students working on a research project under the supervision of a faculty mentor. The award is designed to help defray expenses associated with conducting and presenting research at professional conferences at the local, regional, or national level.

Eligibility:

Full-time undergraduate students currently enrolled as a major in any program in the College of Sciences with a GPA of 3.0 or higher are eligible to apply. Awards are typically given to juniors and first-semester seniors.

Funding:

Funds can be requested to defray students' expenses associated with conducting research, such as approved travel to conduct fieldwork outside of Huntsville, data acquisition, small equipment not available on campus. Projects requiring external funding.

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feasibility and significance of the project. If funding is limited, preference may be given to applicants who have not previously received an award.

Outcomes:

Upon completion of the research and/or conference presentation, all students will be required to submit to the Dean's office (Attn: Anne Gaillard, Associate Dean) a one-page PDF document that briefly describes the process and findings/results of the research. These reports will be made publicly available on the COS website; therefore, they should be well-written for a lay audience.

All students receiving an Undergraduate Research Award will be required to present their research at the Undergraduate Research Symposium, hosted by the Elliott T. Bowers Honors College each spring. Students receiving an award to conduct research are also encouraged to re-apply for funding to travel to and present their research at a professional conference.

Any presentation or publication of research must acknowledge the support provided by SHSU COS.