

Student Engagement QnA 4/16/2020

When is the research symposium? Is it once a year annually?

It is typically held over a few days each April/May. Several programs also hold smaller symposia as well, as do professional associations in different disciplines. There are lots of opportunities to present research!

What year do you have to be to teach a class?

You can craft a proposal to teach at any time. My current student worker Alyssa put in a proposal her freshman year, because she was afraid of public speaking. She is now a junior and has taught several sections of classes and gives orientation presentations to groups of 100 or more people with no problem!

How big are the teach your own course classes?

Classes are capped at 20 as they are discussion-based courses - so the focus is on having robust discussions and debates of the course topic.

Are the R'Courses class available to freshmen?

Yes! Students at any level can enroll in R'Courses. Our website (se.ucr.edu) has a list of those courses posted every quarter.

Are there a lot of research opportunities for physics students as undergrads?

Yes! All majors have research opportunities. I know there are several very active labs and groups in physics that are always looking for students.

Are freshmen also allowed to enroll in the teach your own course classes?

Yes!

Do UCR Honors students have any advantage over the Undergrad research programs?

Honors students will have close relationships with faculty and the Honors offices. Students conducting research will also develop close relationships with faculty as well. So when it comes to research, it depends on what you want to do with that research, if you want to do an Honors Capstone, and what type of research you want to do.

Do students end up getting publication on research papers during undergraduate school? If so around what impact level?

Students have opportunities to publish research via the Undergraduate Research Journal and the Honors journal. There are also opportunities, depending on your faculty members, to work with faculty on their publications.

Are there any scholarships we can apply to right now as incoming scholarships?

I do not work with any scholarships that are available to freshmen. The financial aid office has a listing of available scholarships you can look into. I also encourage you to google scholarships for freshmen, you might find something that fits your major interest, or maybe there is a scholarship in your parent's company.

When is the UCR mandatory orientation?

You can find out the orientation information at orientation.ucr.edu.

What about CS research ?

Yes, there is also research in CS. The college of engineering is active in research.

Where will this presentation be posted on the ucr website?

This presentation will be posted to our event website next week - highlanderday.ucr.edu