



Upcoming CUR Events and Deadlines

NCUR Acceptances Sent and Registration Opens

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

NCUR 2026 Early-Bird Registration Deadline

Friday, January 30, 2026

ConnectUR 2026 Submission Window Closes

Friday, January 16, 2026

SPUR Call for Proposals on Research Identity Deadline

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Arts and Humanities Faculty Mentor Award Deadline

Friday, January 16, 2026

Grant Dialogues

Tuesday, February 10, 2026 - Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Trimmer Travel Fund Award Deadline

Friday, January 16, 2026

Deadline for 15 CUR Divisional Awards

Friday, February 13, 2026

URP Exchange: Best Practices in UR Program Websites

Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM ET

CUR Fellows Award Deadline

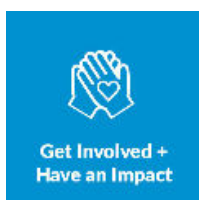
Tuesday, February 17, 2026



Be a Part of CUR's Annual Conference



- **New Free CUR Member Resource:** Download *Where Career Readiness + Undergraduate Research Intersect* and explore the powerful framework that connects research experiences to the top competencies employers and graduate schools seek.
- **Communicating UR Offerings + Successes:** The January URP Exchange welcomes the 2025 URP Website awardees as they discuss the best practices in URP website design and functionality.
- **CUR Fellows Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research Leadership:** This annual award now recognizes a Class of CUR members who are leaders and role models within the undergraduate research community and whose career represents the values and ideals represented in CUR's *Characteristics of Excellence in Undergraduate Research*. The deadline to nominate is February 17, 2026.



- **How Has CUR Impacted You?** Help us celebrate the impact CUR has in your career. Let us know how this amazing community, CUR events, and member resources have shaped your UR journey.
- **SPUR Call for Proposals:** SPUR is seeking articles for a themed issue that examines any topic related to identity or identity development in undergraduate research.
- **January's Featured UR Story:** If groundbreaking discoveries aren't shared outside of academia, can they truly make an impact? This month, we highlight a duo of researchers from Bentley University as they meet with Capitol Hill policymakers to share ideas.
 - Has your institution recently highlighted your program or researchers? Email **Todd Waggoner** with the link to the story to become a future Featured UR Story.
- **Join Us in Welcoming Our Newest Institutional Members:** We are thrilled to have the American Society for Microbiology and San Antonio College join the CUR community in December.

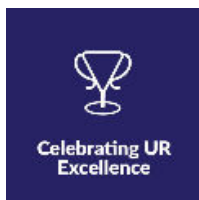
Grant Dialogues Re-Imagined to Face Current Funding Landscape

"Our partnership with NGMA brings new expertise and perspective to Grant Dialogues, ensuring that participants are better equipped to navigate the complexities of research funding. This collaboration allows us to provide timely, relevant, and forward-thinking professional development that supports both the faculty and institutions driving undergraduate research."

Lindsay Currie | CUR Executive Officer



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It's award season! The following awards are receiving nominations until Friday, February 13, 2026 (unless otherwise noted)

- **Student Awards**

- Arts and Humanities Trimmer Travel Fund Award (*January 16, 2026*)
- Biology Student Travel Grants
- Education Outstanding Undergraduate Award
- Geosciences Award for Excellence in Student Research
- Health Sciences NCUR Presentation Award
- Physics and Astronomy Nadine Barlow Undergraduate Research Support Award
- Social Sciences Undergraduate Conference Awards

- **Faculty + Mentor Awards**

- Arts and Humanities Faculty Mentor Award (*January 16, 2026*)
- Biology Mentor Awards
- Chemistry Outstanding Mentorship Awards
- Education Faculty Award
- Geosciences Early Career Undergraduate Mentor Award
- Geosciences Faculty Mentor Award
- Mathematical, Computing, and Statistical Sciences Division Inclusivity Award
- Mathematical, Computing, and Statistical Sciences Division Mentor Award
- Social Sciences Mentor Award

- **Organizational Awards**

- Undergraduate Research Programs Division Awards to Recognize Exemplary URP Websites



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