The Undergraduate Research Program at Union College
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Student Research Grants
- Established in the 1970's by a student initiative as IEF.
- Up to $1000 for supplies, travel to gather data, payment of study participants, etc.
- Typically $300-$500.
- Evaluated by a committee with campus-wide representation.

SRG Applications Due: Nov. 3 OR Jan. 26

Student Conference Travel Grants
- Had been part of the IEF program (above).
- Up to $600 to present results of research.
- Abstract must be accepted.
- Used to be primarily NCUR travel (Union has hosted NCUR twice).
- In the last few years, we have funded more travel to professional meetings and less travel to NCUR.

Travel Grant Applications Due: at least 1 month before travel.

Summer Research Program
- College funds support ca. 80 students per year.
- Grant funding supports 40+ students per year.
- Option of 8-week or 4-week fellowships.
- Faculty must be on campus with student for all weeks of the fellowship.
- Student stipend is $3600 (8wks)/$1800 (4wks).
- Housing is available at $75/week.
- Student-faculty teams from all disciplines are invited to apply. In 2011:
  - 11% of students in the humanities*
  - 21% in the social sciences**
  - 49% in the sciences
  - 19% in engineering

*Visual Arts, Music, English, Philosophy, Classics
**Anthropology, Sociology, History, Political Science, Psychology

Activities During the Summer:
- Group Picnic
- Student Seminars Tu/Th in July and Aug.
- Two Poster Sessions.
- Professional Development Workshops
- Career Advising
- Social Activities (Movies, Bowling, BBQ)

Applications Due: Feb. 9, 2012
Decisions By: End of Winter Term
Student Commitment: mid-April
Summer Research Begins: Day after Graduation
Summer Research ends: August 3

Steinmetz Symposium: Celebrating Undergraduate Research for More than 20 Years
- Celebration of student creative, scholarly and research achievement.
- Held since 1990.
- Greater than 50% of the senior class presents.
- Covers all disciplines with oral presentations, posters, engineering displays, art exhibits, music, movies and dance performances.

Classes are cancelled for the day.
- Faculty, students, administrators and parents attend.
- Faculty act as moderators for sessions/panels.
  - Faculty are welcome to organize their own panels – do so during the abstract submission process.

Steinmetz Abstracts Due: Feb. 24, 2012
Abstracts approved by Faculty: March 2, 2012
Program Available: May 4, 2012
Steinmetz Symposium: May 11, 2012