Research and Fellowships

The College Center for Research and Fellowships (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/) (CCRF) supports undergraduate students in the College as they pursue academic excellence through scholarly undergraduate research (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/undergraduate-research/) and nationally competitive fellowships (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/national-scholarships-and-fellowships/). CCRF promotes meaningful connections between faculty and students, encourages mentorship, provides high impact advising, and educates the University of Chicago community about opportunities for College students across all disciplines.

Current students interested in pursuing scholarly and creative undergraduate research should consult the resources available on the CCRF Undergraduate Research page (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/undergraduate-research-uchicago/). The CCRF manages a number of grant programs (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/undergraduate-research/research-grant-and-scholars-programs/) to support undergraduate research. It hosts the annual University of Chicago Undergraduate Research Symposium (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/uchicagoresearchsymposium/) — the only campus-wide interdisciplinary celebration of undergraduate research. The CCRF also manages targeted research programs, including the College Summer Institute in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (CSI) (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/undergraduate-research/college-summer-institute-csi/) and the UChicago-USussex International Junior Research Associates (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/undergraduate-research/uchicago-usussex-international-jr-research-associates-program/) program, and supports the Inquiry and Research in the Humanities (IRHUM) (https://college.uchicago.edu/academics/ir-hum/) major.

Undergraduates interested in pursuing major national fellowships—including Udall, Goldwater, Truman, Boren, Fulbright, Marshall, Rhodes, Gates Cambridge, Churchill, Mitchell, and NSF Graduate Research Fellowships, among others—are invited to learn more about how CCRF’s professional staff support candidates by visiting the complete list at Select Scholarships and Fellowships (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/national-fellowships/select-scholarships-and-fellowships/). The complete, annual list of UChicago undergraduate and recent alumni recipients of major prestigious fellowships can be found on the National Scholars (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/national-fellowships/national-scholars/) page. You can also read our “Student Stories” here (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/our-students-their-stories/). The CCRF Fellowships team is also responsible for the Cathey Fellowship (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/cathey-fellowship-feature/), a competitive program that funds international master’s degrees for our academically exceptional students.

Students interested in receiving regular notice of upcoming information sessions about research and fellowships, relevant opportunities, and deadlines can subscribe to the CCRF Listserv (https://app.e2ma.net/app2/audience/signup/1809156/1768427/). Students are also invited to visit the CCRF Information Sessions, Workshops, and Signature Series page (https://ccrf.uchicago.edu/information-sessions-workshops-and-series/) for complete details on upcoming CCRF sessions and events.