

FURF Student Application



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Fellowship & Application Information

The Fralin Undergraduate Research Fellowship program is a competitive award program that is open to all Virginia Tech undergraduates with a goal of increasing diversity in research. Fifteen (15) fellowships of \$1,000 will be awarded annually to individual students demonstrating academic capability and a strong interest in undergraduate research, to enable them to conduct research with a Virginia Tech faculty mentor over the course of one academic year. Students will apply to the program during late spring and throughout the summer, to begin their research projects in the fall.

Program Eligibility

Students from any academic discipline are eligible for this award. Preference will be given to Sophomores and Juniors. Students are not required to have previous research experience. Students must have the commitment of a faculty mentor before they apply for an award. Upon submission of this application the faculty mentor listed will be asked for their approval in order for your application to be reviewed. Research projects are not restricted to the student's primary area of study (major). Interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary projects are welcomed. Students from underrepresented groups (including, but not limited to, ethnic minorities, first generation college students, students from low income areas, students with disabilities, LGBTQ, etc.) are strongly encouraged to apply.

Program Expectations

Students are required to conduct about 12 hours of research per week with a Virginia Tech faculty member during BOTH the fall and spring semesters of one academic year. Students will receive a fellowship of \$500 at the end of each semester of research, for the duration of one academic year. Students are required to meet with Dr. Dennis Dean, Associate Director of the Fralin Life Science Institute, at least once during the research year, likely at a small group luncheon. Students are required to prepare a brief synopsis of research progress at the end of each semester. This must be submitted to the Office of Undergraduate Research (via email to ugr@vt.edu) by the last day of classes each semester. Students are expected to present their research results at the end of the research year at VT's spring undergraduate research conference. Students will conduct research with a faculty member who has already agreed to mentor them, working on an ongoing or new project of mutual agreement between student and mentor. The student does not need to design a unique project. Students awarded a fellowship may not register for undergraduate research credit for the same research project during the award term (one academic year).

Application Instructions

In order to apply for a Fralin Undergraduate Research fellowship you must:

1. Complete all sections of this application form and submit the form.
2. Attach an unofficial copy of your transcript.
3. Your faculty mentor will be supplied with a short form stating their approval.

The priority deadline for submission of complete application packets is August 7 at 5:00pm. The first round of awards will be made by August 19. Students will be informed via email.

If you have any questions about this program or the application process, please contact Keri Swaby in the Office of Undergraduate Research (email: kswaby@vt.edu).

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Student Information

1. First name *

2. Middle initial

3. Last name *

4. Permanent (Home) Street Address

5. City

6. State

7. Zip/Postal code

8. University e-mail address *

9. Local/School/Temporary Address (Number & Street)

10. City

11. State

12. Zip/Postal code

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Demographic Information

The information you provide in this application will be kept private and confidential and will not be shared or used in any other way than evaluating your application.

13. Citizenship *

- US
- Permanent Resident
- Non-citizen
- Other

14. Gender *

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Other

15. Please select your race (select all that apply) *

- African American/ Black
- American Indian/ Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander
- White/ Caucasian
- Hispanic, Latino, or of Spani

16. Are you a first-generation college student? *

Definition: Neither parent completed a Bachelor's (4-year college) degree or higher. This includes if either/both parent(s) received an Associate's degree. Likewise, if your parents attended a 4-year college, but did not graduate, you are considered first generation. The same if you have siblings who have attended and graduated from a 4-year college(s).

- Yes
- No

17. Have you been diagnosed with any of the following (select all that apply)? *

- Attention Deficit Disorder
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Autism Spectrum
- Blind/Visually Impaired
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Learning Disability
- Medical
- Mobility/Physical
- None

18. Do you identify with any other underrepresented group?

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Academic Information

19. Major college

- College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
- College of Architecture and Urban Studies
- Pamplin College of Business
- College of Engineering
- College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
- College of Natural Resources and Environment
- College of Science

20. Primary major *

21. Additional major(s)

22. Minor(s)

23. Completed course credits (as of the beginning of the Fall semester) *

- 29 credits or less (freshman)
- 30-59 credits (sophomore)
- 60-89 credits (junior)
- 90 or more credits (senior)

24. Please upload your unofficial transcript as a PDF file. Name the file as follows

LastName_FirstName. (Non-anonymous question ☹) *

***When you pull up your unofficial transcript online, select all, copy and then paste into a Microsoft Word document. Then you can save as a .doc file or print to .pdf or save as .pdf*

File number limit: 1 Single file size limit: 100MB Allowed file types: PDF

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Faculty Mentor Information

25. Faculty mentor's first name *

26. Faculty mentor's last name *

27. Faculty mentor's e-mail *

28. Faculty mentor 's primary department *

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Project Information

29. Title of proposed research project *

Enter your answer

30. In your own words, describe your proposed research project and why this area of research is of interest to you. *

Enter your answer

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Personal Statement Questions

Please provide responses to each of the following questions. All questions must be answered in order to submit a complete application. Your responses should be a maximum of 250 words.

31. Please list all of your extracurricular and student leadership activities. *

Enter your answer

32. Do you have any previous research experience? *

Yes

No

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