Hi,

We will be launching a new format for this newsletter in the coming weeks. Please let us know what you think about the current newsletter and or suggestions you have by filling out a survey (take less than 5 mins to complete)! Until then, here's what's included in this week's newsletter:

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1. OUR Office Hours this week
OUR Ambassadors are here to help you navigate undergraduate research. Drop by their weekly office hours either face-to-face or virtually and ask questions or get advice and support. This week's office hour is taking place Tuesday, November 2 from 8-9 am, in Burruss Hall, Suite 104 or via zoom at: virginiatech.zoom.us/my/research (Personal ID number: 540 231 3580)

Learn about the ambassadors and find all of their Fall drop-in office hours on their webpage.

Next week's office hours will be Monday, November 8, from 4-5 pm.

2. Apply to be an OUR Ambassador TODAY!
Are you passionate about undergraduate research and want to share that with other students while helping them to navigate their own research journey? Apply to be an OUR Ambassador today! The Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) is looking for experienced research students who will be the "face" of the Office. For more information click HERE. Access the online application form HERE.
3. **Deadline TODAY: 2nd Annual NURVa Conference**

You are invited to present your work at the 2nd Annual NURVa Conference, to be held Saturday, January 29, 2022, on the campus of Hampden-Sydney College. NURVa invites submissions from undergraduates in all disciplines in the categories of oral presentation, poster, or performance. Submit abstracts (750 words maximum) with one letter of support from a faculty mentor at tinyurl.com/NURVA2022Conf. The deadline to apply is **TODAY, November 1, 2021**.

**NOTE:** Virginia Tech's Office of Undergraduate Research will cover registration fees for accepted student presenters (one per presentation) and their faculty mentor. Transportation will also be provided for the first 10 students/faculty who register for the event.
4. Sooo... What are you doing next summer?
Doing undergraduate research in the summer is a great time to focus on a project full-time, gain valuable experience and transferrable skills, potentially explore your career options on campus or at another institution, and have fun too! Programs are available across the country and on campus. Visit OUR Opportunities page to learn more and continue to check out this newsletter, as we will post information about opportunities as they become available. Please note that summer programs typically have early spring deadlines so start exploring today!
Read this great blog post from Undergrad in the lab that summarizes useful tips on thinking about and preparing for a summer of research.

5. Searchable Catalog of Research Opportunities
STEM Undergraduates- Looking for an opportunity to enhance your education in STEM-related discipline at a US national lab or research facility? Check out the searchable ORISE catalog of opportunities! 100's of Summer, fall/spring STEM internships, or a longer-term research opportunity are available.

6. Applications for 2022 NOAA undergraduate scholarships are now open!
The prestigious Hollings scholarship provides students with an academic award of $9,500 per year for two years of full-time study. The Hollings Scholarship provides a 10-week, full-time, paid summer internship opportunity at any NOAA facility nationwide. All scholars also receive funding to present their summer internship research at two national scientific conferences. Note that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, internships may be held virtually. The Office of Education will review precautionary guidelines provided by the CDC in advance of the internships and will notify selected 2022 scholars when a decision is made whether to hold internships virtually or in person. Read about the past virtual summer internships HERE.
Eligibility:
- U.S. citizen
- 3.0 minimum GPA
- Major in NOAA mission fields, including STEM and social science
Learn more and apply HERE. The application deadline is January 31, 2022.

7. Central Michigan University Great Lakes Research Experiences for Undergraduates
Students with a background in biology, chemistry, environmental science with a strong interest in chemical, physical & biological aspects of aquatic ecosystems are invited to apply.

The research will be conducted at CMU’s Biological Station, Beaver Island, MI. The interdisciplinary research theme will document how unprecedented changes currently underway (e.g. invasive and non-native species and anthropogenic stress) in the Laurentian Great Lakes are affecting the structure, function, and ecosystem services of the nearshore environment. The Great Lakes represent one of the world’s most important and threatened freshwater ecosystems.

Students will develop research projects ranging from limnology, fisheries biology, conservation and spatial ecology, molecular ecology, and microbial ecology in collaboration with CMU
faculty to gain hands-on experience in all parts of the scientific process, from experimental design through data dissemination and translation. Students will engage with multiple stakeholders (e.g. government, private, and cultural) who have interests in Great Lakes resources and will learn to communicate their science to these groups.

Central Michigan University REU Summer '22:
$5,750 stipend
Free R&B
Up to $500 for travel

Application Deadline: **January 28, 2022**

Learn more and apply [HERE](#).

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8. **Center for Engineering MechanoBiology's (CEMB) UG Summer Research Program**

CEMB offers multiple undergraduate science research opportunities for integrated mechanobiology, conducts novel, interdisciplinary research this summer, and finds out about the emerging new field of mechanobiology. Many projects are interdisciplinary and provide opportunities to develop research skills in the physical sciences, the biological sciences, and engineering. Students develop practical research skills: collaborating, designing experiments, collecting and analyzing data, and communicating results. Other aspects of the program complement the lab experience and are oriented toward professional development and career skills: seminars, journal clubs, and professional and career workshops, including training in ethics, innovation, and technology transfer.

Applications for Summer 2022 open on November 1, 2021. Application Deadline: **February 1, 2022**. Learn more and apply [HERE](#).
9. The Giovanni-Steger Poetry Prize is Open to All Undergraduates at Virginia Tech
Undergraduate Students at Virginia Tech: Send us your best poem. You could win money and/or
be a part of the Nikki Giovanni Celebration of Poetry on February 8th. Submission
deadline: Monday, December 20th, 2021 (by 11:59 pm). Learn more and apply HERE.
10. Submissions sought for Jessie S. Yee Memorial Prize 2021
In honor of Jessie S. Yee, an avid supporter of the arts, Gordon Yee and the Virginia Tech School of Performing Arts are pleased to announce the first annual Yee Prize student composition competition. All undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled at Virginia Tech, regardless of degree or school, are encouraged to submit their best music composition, in any genre or medium. A panel of composition faculty and the winning composer of the Yee Memorial Commission will adjudicate submissions and select the top three student works. Information and files must be submitted by Dec. 1, at 11:59 pm Eastern Time. Learn more and apply HERE.

11. 26th Annual Wilmot Cancer Institute Scientific Symposium, Monday, Nov. 15, 1–5:15 p.m.
Wilmot continues its long tradition of bringing together scientists working in basic, translational, and clinical cancer research together to share exciting findings, new projects, and fantastic success stories. This year’s program will include a keynote presentation from Daniel de Carvalho, Ph.D., who conducts research focused on the epigenetic mechanisms underlying tumorigenesis and epigenetic therapies. The program will also include plenary presentations from Wilmot members and presentations from the short talk competition winners. Please
see [HERE](#) for the symposium registration link and details about participating in our short talk competition.

12. The LSCRC Methods Café: Can I Trust This Source? Investigating Information Using the SIFT Method.
Monday, Nov. 1, from 4-5:30 pm in the LSCRC Classroom and virtually via Zoom. Amanda MacDonald will be giving a talk titled "Can I Trust This Source? Investigating Information Using the SIFT Method".

13. University Libraries Offers Free Virtual Workshops for Research Intelligence Tools
University Libraries is sponsoring two virtual workshops on SciVal and Scopus, research intelligence tools from Elsevier, on Nov. 8 and 9 at noon. These introductory sessions will be of interest to new users, early career researchers, or those wanting a refresher. Learn more [HERE](#).
Scott Gartner, Associate Professor of Architecture at Virginia Tech, will deliver an illustrated talk on the topic “John Moser and the American Style” at Henry H. Wiss Center for Theory and History of Art and Architecture, on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at 9:00 AM in the Dean’s Conference Room, Cowgill Hall. No registration is required. The architect John Moser (1832-1904) immigrated to the United States from his native Germany in the wake of the collapse of the liberal uprisings of 1848. Moser was esteemed by his colleagues for both his scholarship and his extraordinary draughtsmanship. He was a very active member of the Western Architects Association (alongside Burnham, Root, Adler, and Sullivan) and later the AIA. Moser’s greatest ambition was to be the originator of a unique and representative American style of architecture. Proud of his “adopted fatherland” as a nation of immigrants, in 1884 Moser prepared a design for the New York headquarters of the AIA which was to have combined the styles of every prior period of architectural history—from the Neolithic to the recently popular Queen Anne.

15. National Undergraduate Presentation and Paper Opportunities
Please note that this list is constantly being updated as new opportunities become available and are presented by the deadline and not in order of receipt.

NOTE: A "call" is academic-speak for an invitation to submit your work to be considered for presentation at a conference or in a journal or maybe for some kind of competition. So, a "call for papers" means that a professional organization or similar body is asking people to submit original, scholarly articles for review and consideration for publication (www.quora.com). An "abstract" is a short summary of a research project so a "call for abstracts" usually implies that you will be submitting a short summary of your research project in order to be considered as a presenter at a conference.

- **Call for Proposals**, International Academic Conference on the Sustainable Development Goals, Utah Valley University | **Deadline** November 1, 2021
- **Call for Abstracts**, April 2022 Technical Meeting, Rubber Division, American Chemical Society | **Deadline** November 6, 2021
- **Call for Abstracts**, 2022 Indigenous Borderlands in North America Symposium, University of New Mexico | **Deadline** November 10, 2021
- **Call for Proposals**: “Literary Geographies: Space, Place, and Environments”; Conference on Christianity and Literature, Biola University | **Deadline** November 15, 2021
- **Call for Proposals**: The Conference on Christianity and Literature, Literary Geographies – Space, Place, and Environments | **Deadline**: November 15, 2021
- **Call for Submissions**, Second Railroads in Native America Gathering and Symposium | **Deadline** December 15, 2021
- **Call for Papers**, The Reed Undergraduate Journal of Existentialism, St. Olaf College | **Deadline** January 31, 2022
- **Call for Papers**, 2022 Virtual International Conference on Social Media and Society | **Deadline** January 31, 2022
• **Call for Submissions**, *JOSHUA: Journal of Science and Health*, University of Alabama | Deadline February 28, 2022

16. **National Undergraduate Internship and Research Opportunities**
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• **Naval Research Enterprise Internship Program** | Deadline **November 1, 2021**
• **Visiting Scientist Program**, Counterterrorism, and Forensic Science Research Unit, FBI | Applications reviewed on a rolling basis

**Do you like the newsletter?**

*Share your thoughts with us by taking this [short survey](#) (less than 5 min to complete)!*

Have a great week!

Best,
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