Hello Hokie Researchers!

We hope that your summer was all you hoped for and more! With the semester starting next week we wanted to provide you with some timely information from the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR). Through this listerv, you will receive a message once per week highlighting events, resources, opportunities, and other useful information related to undergraduate research.

Here's what's included in this week's message:
1. OUR Information sessions
2. Meet OUR Ambassadors
3. Register for Undergraduate Research Credit Hours
4. Scholarships
5. Job opportunity: OUR Student Communications Assistant

1. OUR Information sessions
   August 26, 3pm-5pm, 116 Burruss Hall (note location change)
   August 27, 11am-1pm, 130 Burruss Hall (note location change)
   A new session will start each half hour.

Join us to learn more about undergraduate research at VT. OUR administrators and Ambassadors will be on hand to answer questions.

2. Meet OUR Ambassadors
   We are excited to welcome our 2019-20 Ambassadors who are the face of the Office and available to answer questions and help students on their research path. Learn more about these energetic students and find out when they offer drop-in office hours throughout the Fall: [https://www.research.undergraduate.vt.edu/AboutUs/Ambassadors1.html](https://www.research.undergraduate.vt.edu/AboutUs/Ambassadors1.html)

3. Register for Undergraduate Research Credit Hours
   Are you planning to do undergraduate research for credit this fall? Students are not able to course request or register themselves for undergraduate research credit hours. Instead, students must complete college-specific forms. Each college establishes its own deadline, which is usually during the first week of each semester. Forms are submitted to the student's college Dean's office, who will approve and register the student accordingly.
   More information and links to forms by college are available here: [https://www.research.undergraduate.vt.edu/our-services/research-credit.html](https://www.research.undergraduate.vt.edu/our-services/research-credit.html)

4. Scholarships
   a) Jacklyn W. and William R. Jones, Jr. Experiential Learning Scholarship
   Applications are now being accepted for the Jacklyn W. and William R. Jones, Jr. Experiential Learning Scholarship, which recognizes students who engage in experiential learning opportunities. One awardee each semester will be selected to receive a scholarship in the amount of $1,000.
   Eligibility: VT undergraduate student in any major who is participating in guided experiential learning opportunity at Virginia Tech including, but not limited to: study abroad, unpaid internships with
nonprofits or NGOs, undergraduate research opportunities, etc. Preference will be given to students whose experience combines more than one mode of experiential learning, such as research abroad.
Fall deadline: Sept 12
Apply at: https://vt.academicworks.com/

b) Dennis Dean Undergraduate Research Scholarship
Applications are now being accepted for the Dennis Dean Undergraduate Research Scholarship, which recognizes students who engage in research. One awardee each semester will be selected to receive a scholarship in the amount of $1,000.
Eligibility: VT undergraduate student in any major who is participating in mentored undergraduate research at Virginia Tech.
Fall deadline: mid-September
Apply at: https://vt.academicworks.com/

c) Global Education
For 2019-20, the Global Education Office has nearly $280,000 in scholarships available to support students in studying abroad. Award amounts will range from $1,500 to $5,000.
While primarily based on FAFSA-demonstrated financial need, consideration is also given to need that may not be addressed by FAFSA. It is not necessary to have a FAFSA on file to apply for this scholarship. Students who may not consider studying abroad because of financial constraints are strongly encouraged to apply.
The extended application deadline for programs taking place during Winter and Spring terms is midnight on September 29, 2019.
Learn more here: https://www.globaleducation.vt.edu/Students0/Outbound/Beforedeparture/FinancialMatters/Scholarships/VTScholarships.html

5. Job opportunity: OUR Student Communications Assistant
The OUR is recruiting a Student Communications Assistant to primarily help oversee the development and implementation of a crowdfunding JUMP campaign during Fall 2019. Must be a student in good academic standing, in a major related to communication, marketing, or comparable field. Position details provided in the attached description. Review start date 8/30/19. Apply by emailing cover letter (statement of interest) and copy of resume to Keri Swaby, Director for Undergraduate Research (Email: kswaby@vt.edu).

Welcome back! We wish you a great start to the new year!

Best,
Keri

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