

College of Engineering and Natural Sciences

TURC

Tulsa Undergraduate Research Challenge

ENS TURC Application & Proposal Form

Return completed form by April 19 to Nona-Charleston@utulsa.edu

A complete application will include the following:

- (1) A summary of research planned for this summer. All students are responsible for finding a faculty mentor and making arrangements for summer research.
- (2) An unofficial transcript.
- (3) A summary of your current community service activities.
- (4) A statement regarding your plans for performing community service this summer.

Please note the following additional requirements:

- (5) All items in this Application & Proposal Form must be filled in.
- (6) Your Application & Proposal Form must be signed by you and your mentor.
- (7) At the end of the summer TURC program, a concluding status report must be submitted to Nona Charleston at nona-charleston@utulsa.edu. Your end-of-summer status report must be written in narrative form, reflecting on the TURC research experience and community engagement component.
- (8) All TURC students are expected to participate in the Student Research Colloquium held during the Spring term each year.

Admitted TURC Scholars are eligible to receive a stipend during the summer, payable in two installments. The TURC stipend may be used by TURC scholars at their own discretion to sustain themselves during the ten weeks of TURC focused research.

All housing arrangements must be made directly (and solely) by each student. Students who wish to live in campus housing this summer should make arrangements directly with the Housing Office.

Name: _____ TUID#: _____
Last First

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone#: _____

Home Town: _____

Current Residence Address: _____

City State ZIP

When did you enter TU? Month _____ Year _____

What is your anticipated graduation date? Month _____ Year _____

What degree(s) are you expecting to receive? _____

Major(s): _____ Current Cumulative GPA: _____

Name of TURC Mentor: _____

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Have you ever participated in TURC before? Yes _____ No _____

If so, when? _____

Are you currently engaged in community service? Yes _____ No _____

If so, please describe the nature of your service.

Are you participating in community service this summer? Yes _____ No _____

Please describe the nature of your intended project. If you will be working with an organization or agenda, please state the name of that organization or agency.

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What is the title of your research proposal?

What are the dates of your TURC project? Starting? _____ Ending? _____

Describe your research proposal in 300 words or less.

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TURC Statement of Understanding

TURC is a mentoring program that seeks to create leaders in scholarship, research and public life. This distinctive undergraduate research program has garnered national attention owing largely to its unique integration of scholarship and service.

Undergraduate research is the program's centerpiece. Under the guidance of faculty mentors, TURC students conduct original and intellectually significant research within their various disciplines. The goals of such research may be to deliver papers at academic conferences, to produce publishable articles, or to initiate meaningful community projects. In disciplines in which publications are not the standard of scholarship, other criteria may be used (e.g., a musical composition, an art exhibit).

Anchored in the belief that all citizens should actively contribute to the betterment of society, TURC endeavors to prepare students for service and leadership within their various communities and professions. Service is an intrinsic part of the program's ethos and, accordingly, all students are required to participate in community service projects of their choosing.

Success in nationally competitive scholarships has been a natural outgrowth for many TURC students. National awards provide a means of measurable success for students and even for the program itself. However, competing for national scholarships is neither the program's primary goal nor fitting for every TURC student.

By design, TURC fosters flexibility and ingenuity among faculty mentors who implement the program throughout the university's various disciplines. The program stipulates only that students and mentors agree to embrace its core components—research and service—so that this unique undergraduate research program remains true to its origins and donors' intent.

I understand these concepts and agree that the program as stated here fits my needs and goals.

Student signature _____ Date _____

As this student's TURC mentor, I agree to encourage and mentor him/her in these stated endeavors.

Faculty signature _____ Date _____