

MEMORANDUM

To: All Faculty

From: Gene Bickers

Vice Provost for Undergraduate Programs

Subject: Call for Proposals for the Undergraduate Research Associates Program

Each year hundreds of faculty members from across the University act as mentors for undergraduates engaged in original research. Funding for undergraduate research stipends is available from a number of different sources at the school and university levels.

I am writing to invite you to submit a proposal to the Undergraduate Research Associates Program (URAP), administered by the Office of the Provost. Last year forty-five faculty received URAP funding to support undergraduates working in a broad range of disciplines. The current call for proposals covers **Summer 2009 through Spring 2010**.

Standard student stipends are \$3000 for the summer, and \$1500 for an academic-semester. An individual proposal may request up to \$10,000, including an allowance of 10% for materials and supplies. Program details and proposal requirements are available on-line at

http://www.usc.edu/programs/ugprograms/ugresearch/faculty_urp.shtml

The deadline for receipt of proposals at the Office of Undergraduate Programs is Tuesday, **February 24, 2009**.

Undergraduate stipends are also funded through two fellowship programs that require student-authored applications and brief faculty recommendations. The Rose Hills Foundation Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program provides funding for residents of Southern California with majors in science and engineering. The USC Provost's Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program provides funding for undergraduates working in all disciplines.

For more information on these programs, please visit

http://www.usc.edu/programs/ugprograms/ugresearch/rose_hill.shtml

and

<http://www.usc.edu/programs/ugprograms/ugresearch/fellowships.shtml>

If you are interested in learning more about the range of undergraduate research conducted on campus, I invite you to attend the 11th Annual Undergraduate Symposium for Scholarly and Creative Work, which will be held this year on Wednesday, **April 15**. For details on the Symposium, visit

<http://www.usc.edu/programs/ugprograms/ugsymposium/>

Please contact either Dr. David Glasgow (dglasgow@usc.edu) or me if we can answer additional questions you may have related to research with undergraduates.

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