

Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Spring 2022 Workshops

[Finding a Summer Research Opportunity](#)

Thursday, January 13, 7:00 PM | Zoom

There are a variety of summer opportunities available for students. Programs are hosted by colleges and universities around the United States and the world. They provide intensive research experience on a particular topic within a scholarly discipline. For undergraduates with plans for graduate or professional school after MSU, summer research provides the opportunity to expand your professional network and acquire experience in an area of interest. In this workshop, you will learn more about summer research, the benefits of participation, and effective search strategies, including how to find and apply for opportunities.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/summer0113>

[Learning about Undergraduate Research](#)

Thursday, January 20, 6:00 PM | Zoom

Make research an integral part of your MSU experience! Come learn about the opportunities available for involvement in research and creative activities at Michigan State. You can expect a short presentation, discussion, and Q & A facilitated by current undergraduate researchers.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/learningabout0120>

[Finding a Summer Research Opportunity](#)

Monday, January 24, 6:30 PM | Zoom

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Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/summer0124>

[Writing Abstracts](#)

Tuesday, January 25, 5:30 PM | Zoom

Undergraduate scholars are often required to write abstracts, or short summaries, that describe their research or creative activity for grants, scholarships, research papers, and UURAF (University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum). Led by Professional Writing professor Dr. Danielle DeVoss (Writing, Rhetoric & American Cultures), this workshop will provide an overview of the essential components of an abstract and give tips on how to write an effective abstract.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/abstracts0125>

[Unpacking Your Research Experience](#)

Monday, January 31, 7:30 PM | Zoom

Have you thought about how the skills you are gaining through your undergraduate research experience will assist you in the future? Come learn about strategies for communicating your abilities to others, such as graduate schools and future employers. This workshop will include information about creating an elevator pitch related to your research and an opportunity for you to critically reflect on the skills you have built by being involved in undergraduate research. Come prepared to interact and engage with your peers about your research!

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/unpacking0131>

[Undergraduate Research and Interdisciplinary Research](#)

Tuesday, February 1, 7:30 PM | Zoom

A panel conversation with current undergraduate research ambassadors from different academic disciplines will share how they approach their research interests from an interdisciplinary perspective. This panel is for students interested in learning more about undergraduate research and for students interested in bridging different interests together. Panelists will address the benefits of interdisciplinary undergraduate research.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/panel0201>

[Finding a Summer Research Opportunity](#)

Tuesday, February 8, 6:30 PM | STEM 2202

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[Learning about Undergraduate Research](#)

Thursday, February 17, 5:00 PM | 129 Hubbard Hall

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[Learning about Undergraduate Research](#)

Monday, February 21, 6:30 PM | Zoom

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Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/learningabout0221>

[Preparing Oral Presentations](#)

Tuesday, March 1 at 5:30 PM | Bessey 114 & Zoom

Led by Professional Writing professor Dr. Danielle DeVoss (Writing, Rhetoric, and American Cultures), this workshop will cover the basics of constructing well-crafted slide presentations. We'll talk about slide fundamentals, how to whittle a large research project down to a short presentation, and how to integrate visuals to support your points.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/oralpres0301>

[Preparing Poster Presentations](#)

Wednesday, March 2, at 5:30PM | Bessey 113

A presentation poster requires a very different approach than a research report on the same work. You need to be visually appealing, draw in your reader, and convey your purpose and findings in a concise, direct manner. Dr. Tom Wolff, Faculty Emeritus from the College of Engineering, has judged engineering project posters for many years. He will speak about layout, communication, and people's perceptions of typeface and graphic design. Workshop participants will review examples of posters—both good and not-so-good—and consider common pitfalls. Discussion of the function of a poster session as a vehicle for sharing your work with visitors and judges will conclude the workshop.

[Learning about Undergraduate Research](#)

Tuesday, March 15, 7:30 PM | In Zoom

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Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/learningabout0315>

[Preparing for a Successful Virtual Presentation at UURAF](#)

Thursday, March 24, 6:30PM | Zoom

First time presenting virtually at the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (UURAF)? Let our panel of seasoned virtual presenters help you make the most of your experience. You will receive tips on how to prepare for your presentation, what kinds of questions to expect and etiquette for virtual presentations.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/UURAF0324>

[Behind the Scenes of Undergraduate Research](#)

Tuesday, March 29, 7:30 PM | Zoom

Join current undergraduate research ambassadors for a Q&A session as they address common questions and demystify misconceptions in undergraduate research. Ambassadors will talk about time management, balancing multiple roles, prioritizing mental health, and perspectives of different research disciplines. This panel is for students interested in learning more about undergraduate research and for students with undergraduate research experiences looking for advice on how to troubleshoot their current experience.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/panel0329>

[Preparing for Success at UURAF](#)

Monday, April 4 at 6:30PM | STEM 2101

First time presenting at the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (UURAF)? Let our panel of seasoned UURAF presenters help you make the most of your experience. You will receive tips on how to prepare for your presentation, what kinds of questions to expect and etiquette for virtual presentations.

[Learning about Undergraduate Research](#)

Monday, April 18, 5:00 PM | STEM 2202

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[Undergraduate Research and Careers Outside of Academia](#)

Tuesday, April 19, 7:30 PM | Zoom

Panelists will engage in a conversation around careers students with undergraduate research experience can pursue outside of academia. If you are preparing to graduate or enter your third or fourth year of school and are engaged in an undergraduate research experience, then this panel is for you! Panelists will address how you can use your undergraduate research experience for non-academic careers.

Students may register using the following zoom link: <https://bit.ly/panel0419>

[Unpacking Your Undergraduate Research Experience](#)

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For more information, contact us at ugrsrch@msu.edu or 517-884-4384.