

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH & CREATIVE WORKS

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The Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Works is excited to inform you of recent student accomplishments as well as future opportunities available within the realm of collaborative research and creative works. We hope to inspire you with student success and encourage you to enrich your own undergraduate experience with such projects.

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OUR MISSION

The mission of the Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Works program at High Point University is to engage undergraduates in student-faculty collaborations that reflect individual and unique scholarly and imaginative experiences which promote the development of new competencies that foster critical thinking and provide students with privileged opportunities to add to the sum of human knowledge.

October Presentations

Completed Presentation: Dumbo Dance Festival

Professor Lindsey Howie returned for the second year in a row to Brooklyn, New York for the Dumbo Dance Festival (October 11-14). This year, she presented her choreographed dance "Fractured." Her students Jessica Homan, Kaylah Davis, and Grace Ann Letzinger brought this dance to life with their performance. Through their involvement at the festival, they were able to experience art and art making at an international level. Congratulations on a job well done!



Upcoming Presentation: SERMACS

From October 31st- November 3rd, Molly Hulver, Hannah Lee Dixon, Julia Trautman, Nick Cutrona, Mikaela Seemann, Juliana O'Brien, William Lefever, Kaylee Campbell, Soo Min Lee, Isabella Postle, Christopher Goudarzi and Katharine Storo will be presenting their chemistry research at the Southeast Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society (SERMACS). The following mentors will be attending to cheer their students on: Dr. Heather Miller, Dr. Megan Blackledge, Dr. Andrew Wommack, Dr. Melissa Srougi, and Dr. Pamela Lundin. Good luck to these students and their mentors in sharing their research!

SNCURCS and NCUR

SNCURCS acceptances are in!

SNCURCS - **State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium** is a statewide symposium on November 10th that allows for any undergraduate student in North Carolina the opportunity to present their research or creative work. Congratulations to the following students for having their presentations accepted: **Rachel Berndsen, Sara Seaford, Isabella Grifasi, Victoria MacQueen, Kayla Pennycuff, Ashley Elizeus, Mary Green, and Joseph Savino.**

Don't Miss this Research Opportunity!



NCUR – April 10 - April 13, 2019 – **National Conference of Undergraduate Research** is a national conference that welcomes all forms and topics of undergraduate research. This is an opportunity to share oral, poster, visual arts, and performing arts presentations.

Abstracts are due Tuesday December 4, 2018 at <https://apps.cur.org/ncur2019/account/>

Research Apprentice Ceremony

Congratulations to our newest cohort of Research Apprentices!

These students earned the title of Research Apprentice through completing the Research Rookies program. At the Research Apprentice Ceremony on September 28, 2018, they received a certificate recognizing their accomplishment and a medallion that can be worn at graduation.



Shown: CJ Deroy, Lauren Herb, Nicholas Kirby, Will Lefever, Victoria Macqueen, Mckenna McGovern, Jordan Mister, Avery Moon, Cassidy O'Brien, Kayla Pennycuff, Ashley Robinson, Sydney Sanders, Peyton St. John, Jessica Vedrani, Evan White, Alex Wirth

Not in attendance: Jordan Bramhall, Sarah Culver, Ella Cusano, Melinda Franke, Alan Hsueh, Sawyer Lyons, Elizabeth Malone, Maria Mosconi

Here's what our recently inducted Research Apprentices had to say about completing the Research Rookie program:

"The Research Rookies program allowed me to learn about research processes as well as enabled me to participate in a research project I will be presenting at SNCURCS."
– Sara Seaford

"Becoming a research apprentice has not only helped me to meet a professor to do research with but has also helped me realize everything that a well-established researcher does. I am very honored to have completed this program and am glad to share my experiences with the program to others." – Nicholas Kirby

"I love the research I do because it has a real-world application that can affect millions of people around the world." – Sawyer Lyons

Research Rookies

It's not too late join Research Rookies!

Research Rookies is a program for freshmen and first semester sophomores who desire to be incorporated into the research and creative works atmosphere of High Point University while still early in their undergraduate careers. Participants have two consecutive semesters to complete a variety of activities. Completing this program earns the title of Research Apprentice and shows that students are committed to independent work which will give them an edge later in job interviews or applications for graduate or professional schools.



Professors love our Research Rookies:

"Sometimes taking a student into the lab can be a bit of a gamble, but I think the commitment necessary to fulfill the Research Rookies requirements is evidence of the quality of students that I have received from the program. They come in excited and ready to work diligently. I definitely look forward to recruiting a few more in the future!"

- Dr. Alex Marshall: Assistant Professor of Basic Pharmaceutical Sciences

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

Freshmen and first semester sophomores who wish to apply to the Research Rookies Program should contact Dr. Joanne Altman, Director of Undergraduate Research and Creative Works: jaltman0@highpoint.edu

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