

TIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

FACULTY MENTORS

Mentoring undergraduate researchers is a rewarding experience. This faculty tip sheet will assist you in recruiting undergraduate students, enrolling your students in independent research credits, and encouraging your students to advance their careers. Please contact the UCF Office of Undergraduate Research for more information on student funding and formal programs.

RESEARCH POSITION DATABASE



WHO? Faculty and graduate students who have research and creative work positions for undergraduates. Positions can be through structured UCF programs, independent projects, or general research support.

WHERE? Go to: <https://our.ucf.edu/home/faculty/find-students/>

HOW? To add a position, click on "Submit a Posting" and log in with your NID and NID password, and then complete and submit the form. To edit or delete your posting contact our@ucf.edu.

DIRECTED INDEPENDENT RESEARCH

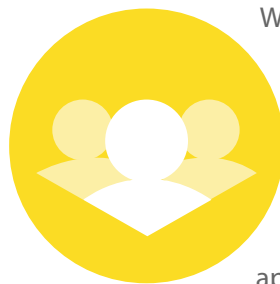


WHY? Students and faculty are recognized for their work. Faculty can use this formal enrollment for teaching and research portfolios. Students can document their experience on their transcripts.

HOW? Students should meet with you to discuss any research goals for the semester. You can request an undergraduate registration agreement form from your department. The ZERO credit option (no additional tuition charge if the student is already enrolled in other courses*) is only available for Directed Independent Research 4912. Return the form to your department and/or college before the add/drop deadline.

*Students not enrolled in other coursework when enrolled in the ZERO credit option will be charged for 1 credit hour of tuition plus fees.

PEER MENTORING



WHAT? Students can meet with peer mentors who are current undergraduate researchers. In addition to helping students get started with research, peer mentors can also advise current undergraduate researchers about enhancing their research experience through formal programs and opportunities that include funding options.

WHERE? Students should be referred to the Office of Undergraduate Research in Trevor Colbourn Hall, suite 205.

HOW? Students can meet with a peer mentor by visiting during drop-in hours or by making an appointment. See <http://OUR.ucf.edu> for details.