



Research @ UCHICAGO

Ideas | Imagination | Impact

Every day, UChicago researchers—from first-year undergraduates to Nobel Prize-winning faculty members—push the boundaries of human knowledge and imagine new ways to tackle the world's greatest challenges. **Research** helps students build the skills, perseverance, and creativity needed to succeed in many different career paths.

UChicago students of all interests and majors can get involved with research. The College offers many resources to help students secure research opportunities with UChicago's world-class faculty and top research institutions.

Supporting Student Research

College Center for Research and Fellowships

- **Quad Undergraduate Research Scholars Grants:** offers competitive, open-discipline grants for faculty-mentored research during both the academic year and the summer
- **The College Summer Institute in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences:** provides undergraduates the opportunity to undertake intensive training and research with scholars across the humanities and social sciences
- **Straetz International Undergraduate Research Scholars Program:** supports advanced research opportunities outside the United States during the summer
- **University of Chicago and University of Sussex International Junior Research Associates Program:** provides selected College students the opportunity to participate in a summer of intensive, faculty-mentored research in the Humanities at one of the UK's leading institutions of higher education, the University of Sussex
- **Quad Undergraduate Research Conference Grants:** funds conference participation by current undergraduates to present a poster or deliver an oral presentation on a faculty-mentored research project at an academic conference
- **Undergraduate Research Symposium:** gives undergraduate researchers from across all disciplines and all years opportunities to present their research in poster or oral presentation sessions

Study Abroad

- **African Studies Research Grant:** funds students conducting summer research in Africa
- **Foreign Language Acquisition Grant:** offers awards to support the costs of intermediate or advanced language study abroad over the summer
- **Summer International Travel Grant:** sponsors students conducting 6-8 weeks of summer research outside the U.S.

“Object-centered work is just a different level of cool, and I’m so grateful that I can do that with my job. I definitely want, going forward, to not only analyze literature, but to really look at the relics and objects that accompany these stories so that I can learn more about the people themselves.”



Danielle Levy, Class of 2025
Religious Studies; Middle Eastern Studies
Research Internship: Institute for the Study of Ancient Cultures
Project Focus: Analyzing and digitally archiving ancient cuneiform tablets

Career Advancement

- **Arts & Humanities Practitioner Program:** offers paid projects where students work with professional artists and writers
- **Becker Friedman Internships:** gives students opportunities to work on economics research projects with BFI scholars
- **Biological Sciences Internships:** provides experiences in Global & Public Health, Computational Biology, and Ecology & Evolution
- **Chicago Booth Internships:** places students in positions with faculty and groups such as the Center for Decision Research
- **Chicago Project on Security & Threats (CPOST):** matches students with scholars conducting research on security policy
- **Institute for Climate & Sustainable Growth Internships:** offers research opportunities with faculty exploring climate and energy from many disciplinary perspectives
- **Katen Scholars Program:** supports summer research projects in health, medicine, and science
- **Law School Legal Clinic Internships:** sponsors legal research alongside faculty at the University of Chicago Law School
- **National Laboratory Internships:** provides research experiences with top laboratories such as **Argonne National Laboratory**, **Fermilab**, and the **Marine Biological Laboratory**
- **RBH Oral Health Fellows:** matches students with oral health employers for summer internship experiences
- **UChicago Medicine Internships:** provides both clinical and laboratory research experiences
- **UChicago Urban Education Institute Internships:** offers opportunities to explore education policy
- **Voltage Research Program Internships:** facilitates field research in economics under the leadership of Professor John List

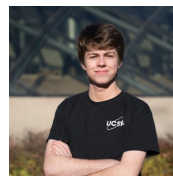
Other University-Sponsored Opportunities

There are many other on-campus research experiences with academic departments and institutes! Selected opportunities are listed below, and we encourage you to explore the CCRF Research Opportunities Database for a more complete list.

- **Summer Research Opportunities in the Biological Sciences:** include the Biological Sciences Collegiate Division Summer Fellowships and the Neuroscience Early-Stage Scientist Training Program
- **Center for Global Health Summer Research Fellowship:** pairs research in Chicago with a partner site abroad over 10 weeks
- **Data Science Institute Summer Lab:** focuses on rigorous, applied, interdisciplinary data science research, rooted in a cohort community
- **Math Department Research Experience for Undergraduates:** provides intensive research experience for students under the mentorship of graduate students and faculty
- **Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship:** a two-year program designed to support, mentor, and fund students committed to advancing diverse scholarly perspectives in academic research in the humanities and social sciences
- **Summer Institute in Social Research Methods:** offers accelerated training in theoretically-grounded research methodologies along with paid research assistantships
- **Support for Thesis Research:** many majors, programs, centers, and institutes offer support for research that contributes to a thesis as the culmination of your undergraduate studies



“Getting to work, in lab, alongside some of the smartest scientists and engineers in the industry, and then presenting my designs in front of them, has convinced me that this is work I want to continue to do. Even better was the chance to sit in on live spacecraft demonstrations from mission control, which was epic!”



Seth Knights, Class of 2026
Physics

Research Internship: NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Project Focus: Advanced optical communication technologies



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