ENGAGING IN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH:  
YOUR FOUR-YEAR GUIDE

FIRST YEAR
- Find the Undergraduate Research (UR) Offices on both campuses - Alcuin 357 and Clemens A102
- Attend the Introduction to UR Opportunities Workshop
- Find us at the Academic Exploration Fair in October
- Interested in healthcare? Apply for the Student Health Assistants (SHA) Program in spring semester.
- Identify faculty that are doing research in your area of interest; set up a time to meet with them.
- Attend Celebrating Scholarship & Creativity Day in April!
- Become an Emerging Scholar - the Emerging Scholars Program is a competitive year-long research experience for underrepresented first year students in their field. **Emerging Scholars are selected during the summer prior to their first semester.

SECOND YEAR
- Meet with UR Program Staff to learn about personalized research or creative work opportunities.
- Utilize the UR Grant Program to fund a project or present your work at an external conference.
- Participate in the UR Workshop Series to develop necessary skills for successful research and creative work.
- Interested in healthcare? Apply for SHA in spring semester.
- Are you a researcher in mathematics, engineering, or the natural sciences? Connect with the Competitive Fellowships Office to develop an application for the Goldwater Scholarship. Applications due in January.
- Partner with a faculty mentor as part of the Summer Collaborative Grant program and earn a paid 10-week, all-inclusive 10-week summer experience.
- Present your work at Celebrating Scholarship & Creativity Day!

JUNIOR YEAR
- Propose an original research or creative work project; apply for support funding from the UR grant program.
- Participate in the UR Workshop Series to develop necessary skills for successful research and creative work.
- Interested in interdisciplinary research? Apply for the Mayo Innovation Scholars Program - a competitive and exclusive partnership for MN's private college students with the Mayo Clinic. Application available each September.
- Are you a researcher in mathematics, engineering, or the natural sciences? Connect with the Competitive Fellowships Office to develop an application for the Goldwater Scholarship. Applications due in January.
- Ready to take your research or creative work to the next level? Our office can support your application for a Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) through the National Science Foundation.
- Utilize Handshake to identify research-related internships and jobs to continue building your skills.
- Is an All-College Thesis in your future? Enroll in COLG 396 during spring semester of your junior year to stay on track.
- Consider applying for one of our five All-College Thesis Summer Fellowships to support your research! Applications are due in March.
- Present your original work at Celebrating Scholarship & Creativity Day!

SENIOR YEAR
- Propose an original research or creative work project; apply for support funding from the UR grant program.
- Participate in the UR Workshop Series to develop necessary skills for successful research and creative work.
- Interested in interdisciplinary research? Apply for the Mayo Innovation Scholars Program - a competitive and exclusive partnership for MN's private college students with the Mayo Clinic. Application available each September.
- Finishing your All-College Thesis? Enroll in COLG 398 to complete your proposal, finalize, and defend your thesis.
- Present your original work at Celebrating Scholarship & Creativity Day!

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