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Undergraduate Research Symposium Call for Submissions

The Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) is now accepting submissions for the 2022 Undergraduate Research Symposium (URS), scheduled for all day April 28, 2022. Current plans are to hold the Symposium in the Illini Union.

The URS is the signature event of Undergraduate Research Week (April 24 - 30), and brings together students, faculty, and staff from all disciplines on the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign campus to learn more about undergraduate research and its potential to change the world.

For more information on URS, including answers to frequently asked questions, please visit the [Symposium website](#).

The deadline for applying to the URS is March 15, 2022, at 11:59 pm. No late submissions will be accepted.



Hello Anthropologists,

How is your semester going? We hope that you have entered a comfortable, productive workflow and that you are enjoying your classes!

“Volunteers Needed” to represent our department in the Spring 2022 Majors and Minors Fair, held on Wednesday, February 23 from 1:30 PM to 3:30 pm in the Union - Illini-Rooms A, B, and C.

For more information contact [Maritza Quiñones](#)

Patricia O' Brien Award for best undergraduate anthropology paper

The Patricia O'Brien Award is given to the best undergraduate anthropology paper. Senior capstone projects, honors theses, course research papers, fieldwork analyses, and independent projects are all acceptable entries. The papers must be cleanly typed, and the format should be as appropriate for professional journals such as American Anthropologist, American Antiquity, or American Journal of Physical Anthropology.

The papers will be judged on the basis of excellence as demonstrated by clear focus, development of ideas, synthesis of literature covered, writing style, originality, and contribution to the field.

Award Amount: \$500

Eligibility: all undergraduate anthropology majors and minors.

Papers must be submitted no later than 3:00 pm Monday, March 21st, 2022. Papers must be submitted electronically to Karla Harmon at kharmon@illinois.edu.

The papers must be cleanly typed, and the format should be appropriate for professional journals such as American Anthropologist, American Antiquity, or American Journal of Physical Anthropology. The paper must be anthropological in subject matter and approach. Senior honor theses, course research papers, fieldwork analyses, and independent projects are all acceptable entries. The paper must have been written or substantially developed while the student has been at the University of Illinois not to exceed 35 pages.

Find more information [here](#).

Counseling Center Tuesdays @7

February 22

Love the Skin You're In: Managing Body Image Concerns

This workshop will provide participants with a chance to analyze their body image and receive a deeper understanding of what it is and what can affect it. Students will also learn how to improve and cope with their own body image.

March 1

Getting Degreded Without Anxiety in the Lead

This workshop will use a variety of exercises to teach participants how to identify and deal with anxiety, specifically within college life and other academic situations.

March 8

Mental Health Crash Course

In this workshop, participants will learn about the importance of mental health, how to prioritize your mental health, and how to support yourself/others during difficult times.

Learn about the series and Zoom info [here](#).

Vekich Fellowship

The Vekich Fellowship awards \$1,000 to recipients who demonstrate an interest in studying about the former Yugoslav region. It is a simple essay competition and the winners will just need to take one course in the relevant subject area during the 2022-23 academic year.

The deadline for applications this year is March 18th.

Find more information [here](#).

Anthropology Day Anthro Club

Anthropology Club will be hosting an event this Thursday from 6-8 p.m. to celebrate World Anthropology Day! World Anthropology Day is intended to increase awareness of, and celebrate, the work of anthropologists and anthropology departments on campuses like ours. Come stop by and listen to professors/graduate students give quick 20-minute talks about their journey in Anthropology. This will take place at Davenport Hall, Room 230. We hope to see you there!

6:00-6:20 PM: BIOLOGICAL- NEGIN VALIZADEGAN

6:20-6:40 PM: LINGUISTIC- DR. FARNELL

6:40-7:00 PM: ARCHAEOLOGY- DR. RIGGS

7:00-7:20 PM: HERITAGE STUDIES- DR. SILVERMAN

7:20-7:40 PM: FORENSIC- DR. HUGHES

7:40-8:00 PM: SOCIOCULTURAL- TBD

Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

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