

# STUDENT AWARDS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

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## General Guidelines and Requirements

Student funding is made available to support undergraduate and graduate research, creative work, independent studies, shared research with faculty, and/or travel expenses for creative work or presenting research.

Student awards are offered for projects

## INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM

## GRADUATE DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

### Purpose, Eligibility Specifics

Supports graduate students in pursuit of projects of research and/or creative nature. The project must contribute to the evidence-based concepts, theories, and/or practice within one's discipline and result in a peer-reviewed journal article.

The proposal will be evaluated according to adherence to format, clarity, completeness, including signatures and summary form of funding history. The project will be evaluated according to the following:

- a) Intrinsic merit (i.e., whether the project addresses an important issue, and/or contributes to scholarship, and/or supports a programmatic/divisional/university goal)
- b) Qualifications of the applicant to carry out the project and the likelihood that the project will be completed with intended outcome(s). All projects should be completed prior to the student's completion of their degree work.
- c) Whether the methods are appropriate and likely to result in successful and timely outcome(s).
- d) Level of student's interest and relevance to the student's professional development.
- e) Benefit to the overall campus community.

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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADS (REU)

### Purpose/Eligibility Specifics

Funding allows for students and faculty to share in a research experience at Stockton University. Students must be enrolled full time as sophomores, juniors, or graduating seniors, with a minimum cumulative 3.00 GPA. Funds are only available while in student status and cannot be accessed once a student graduates.

### Funds Available

Funding to support research endeavors includes up to \$1,000 for the undergraduate student and up to \$250 for the faculty mentor. Funding can be linked to an independent study in which the student is registered during the Fiscal Year's summer, fall and/or spring semester(s). Suggested items or expenditures are:

- Equipment (Equipment will be retained by the faculty mentor's school at the completion of the project, and must be related to the project and justified in the proposal.)
- Off-campus field or similar research
- Purchase of books, materials, or specialized care
- Research-related travel. REU funding is to be used only for research-related activities. Any desired travel to a conference or professional meeting to present research findings, the student should submit a separate application to the provost's "Student Travel Fund" (STF) initiative. *Students are permitted to apply for both REU and STF funds.*
- Funds cannot be salary-related and so cannot be used as a stipend or wages to pay for work undertaken by either the faculty member or the undergraduate student.
- Funds are to be encumbered by May 15<sup>th</sup> and expended by June 15<sup>th</sup> of the Fiscal Year they have been awarded. Unexpended funds will not be available beyond the Fiscal Year which ends on June 30
- Arrangement for expenditures should be made through the student's Deans office and follow all applicable University policies.

### Required Content

- Online Application- (completed in its entirety)
- Copy of student's current transcript must be submitted with the application. (Unofficial transcripts will be accepted)
- In addition to the application form, additional support documentation can be submitted via the Jotform application.

### Process

In determining finalists for funding, REU Awards Committee will:

- Consider results from previous REUs supervised by the sponsoring faculty member and the student applicant. Preference will be given to new projects over continuing ones.
- Give preference to projects that are likely to be published or disseminated in public forums.
- Give preference to new (over continuing) projects each year.
- A final report on research completed by the student and his/her mentor must be submitted within 30 days of the award period.

STUDENT REQUEST FOR TRAVELING UNDERGRADUATE (STF)

STUDENT REQUEST FOR TRAVEL FUNDING GRANT (GSTF)

Purpose, Eligibility