Duke Undergraduate Research Society

“Dedicated to increasing student awareness, understanding, and knowledge of research at Duke.”

**OBJECTIVE:** Promote undergraduate student involvement in academic research in the natural sciences, medical fields, and humanities.

**WHY SHOULD I JOIN?**

If you…

- **...are an underclassman** wanting to join labs and research groups around campus, DURS will hold info and Q/A sessions for students wanting to contact research faculty for work study/independent study positions.

- **...are an upperclassman** wanting to present your work to your peers and professors, DURS will host joint events with the Undergraduate Research Support Office (URSO) such as *Visible Thinking*, a research symposium with posters and presentations from students across the campus.
  - Upperclassmen are also welcome to join us as “advisors” during Q/A sessions directed towards underclassmen.
  - Possible future engagements include research conferences both within Duke and within the Research Triangle and North Carolina.

- **...hoping to interact with top research faculty** in the Medical School, Pratt School of Engineering, Graduate Schools, and the Arts and Sciences Departments, DURS will hold seminars and dinners with professors.

- **...looking for information about research at Duke**, specifically current student work, how/when to contact professors for research positions, and funding opportunities, DURS has compiled an online research “resources” page for your benefit.

- **...looking for leadership opportunities in a new organization**, DURS is seeking motivated individuals for officer positions such as (but not limited to) webmaster, student-faculty liaison, advertising chief, and also spots on our Executive Advisory committee.

**EVENTS/ACTIVITIES:**

- Research information sessions for underclassmen
- Q/A sessions with upperclassmen
- Peer underclassmen advising
- Research faculty seminars and lunches
- Finals week study breaks
- *Visible Thinking* undergraduate research symposium
- Research conferences and presentation opportunities, ranging from “research slams” to formal seminars
- Officer elections

**RESOURCES:**

- Undergraduate Research Support Office website: http://undergraduateresearch.duke.edu
- Undergraduate independent study database: http://undergrad.biology.duke.edu/study
- DURS resources page, under discussions in the DURS Facebook group

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