



*Division of*  
**UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**  
*Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors*



***ACC Fellowship***  
***for Undergraduate Research & Creative Endeavors***

The *Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors* is pleased to announce the inaugural **Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Fellowship** program for undergraduates. This year, each of the ACC schools will be choosing fellows for this competitive and prestigious award. At FSU, two undergraduate students will be named as ACC Fellows and be awarded \$5000 each to conduct research or complete a creative project.

***Award Categories***

- 1) One award will be given to a student conducting research in the basic, life or health sciences. This includes students engaged in research topics in biology, chemistry, biochemistry, physics, engineering, math, statistics, psychology, neuroscience, exercise science, nutrition, nursing, communication disorders or other biomedical sciences.
- 2) One award will be given to a student engaged in research or creative endeavor in the arts, music, humanities, education, social sciences, or business. This category also includes criminology, social work, film, and information technology.

***Use of Award Funds***

Award money may be used to acquire resources, including books, databases, or other supplies for conducting research or completing a creative project. Award money may also be used to travel to collect data, work with archives, or conduct interviews critical to the project. We encourage students to use a portion of their award money to attend a national meeting to present their data or creative work or accompany their mentor to a meeting where work in the field is being presented.

***Application Deadline:*** Send an electronic copy of your application to [cathy.levenson@med.fsu.edu](mailto:cathy.levenson@med.fsu.edu) by 5PM October 26, 2009. Please put ACC FELLOWSHIP in all caps on the subject line of the email that has your application attached as a .doc, .docx, or .pdf file. You will receive a response email letting you know that your application has been received. If you do not receive a response within 24 hours please call Dr. Levenson at 644-4122.

***Eligibility:*** All undergraduate students in good standing are eligible for this fellowship. Students who apply to become an ACC Fellow will conduct their research or creative work during the 2009-2010 academic year, which includes summer 2010. Fellows must then present their work at the annual *Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Awards Symposium (URCAA)* in the fall of 2010.

***Application Process***

Applicants should consult with their faculty mentors to produce a **2-page single-spaced** (11 or 12 pt font, with half inch margins) application that is organized according to the format described on the next page.

**Pages 1-2:**

**Project Title**

**Applicant's Name**

**Mentor name, rank, and Department**

**Current GPA overall and in major, Projected graduation date**

**Project Description:** The project description should include the specific aim(s) of the project you propose. For each aim of your project, describe the process you will undertake and methods you will use to fulfill the aim. Discuss what you expect the outcomes will be. It is important that the application reflect both the complexity of the work you are proposing, as well as the wider contribution that your work will make. Be sure that your project description is organized, well written, and clear. Keep in mind that not everyone who reads your application will be in your area of specialization, so while the description needs to be accurate and focused, it also needs to be clear to scholars outside of your immediate area of expertise.

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**Time Line:** The work you propose should be conducted between Dec 1, 2009 and August 15, 2010. Provide a time line for completing the work that you propose.

**Previous Research/Creative Experience:** Describe any previous experiences you have that have prepared you to conduct the work you are proposing. This may include mentored DIS work, Honors in the Major work, and other research projects or activities that strengthen your abilities.

**Budget Justification:** Describe, using approximate dollar amounts, how you plan to use the funds from ACC Fellows program.

**Future Plans:** Briefly describe your educational and career goals.

***Questions?***

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