URSA Project Award Fall 2015

The Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarly Activity has funds to support undergraduate student projects to be conducted September 1 through December 31, 2015.

Eligibility - student
Undergraduate students are invited to apply for one of ten URSA Fall Project Awards of $2,500 (to fund student salary, stipend, travel, services, tuition and/or supplies). Any undergraduate student with good academic standing (GPA 2.0 or above) and a commitment from a faculty mentor is eligible for funding.

Eligibility - project
Projects in any UAF discipline will be considered. While topic and results may contribute to a faculty member’s program of research or creative scholarship, the work must be performed by the student with mentoring by the faculty member (possibly with help from graduate students and/or technicians). The student is to be guided by a mentor in all stages of the project, which includes planning, proposal writing (due June 26, 2015), execution and preparation of a poster presenting project outcomes.

Submit the application at www.uaf.edu/ursa; click on “URSA Awards.”
Application deadline June 26, 2015

All proposals will be reviewed based on: 1) written quality of the proposal and quality of the work plan, 2) intellectual merit and scholarly contribution of the project and its potential outcomes, 3) student learning outcomes articulated in the proposal, 4) adequate faculty involvement, and 5) feasibility of completion within the given timeline. The project can extend past December 31, 2014 but funding must be spent by that date. Student GPA is considered but to a lesser degree. Selections will be made by the URSA Advisory Board and URSA Director.

Award recipients will be notified by email and announced on URSA website www.uaf.edu/ursa by July 17, 2015.

URSA Student Funding Awardees will be required to: 1) complete training for the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) (see www.uaf.edu/irb/training ), if applicable. 2) be listed on the mentor’s approved protocol, IACUC, IRB or IBC, whichever covers the proposed project, if applicable. 3) create a poster presenting project outcomes (achieved or expected), 4) email a pdf of the poster to ursa.uaf@alaska.edu by April 25, 2016 and 5) present your poster at Research Day on April 26, 2016.