

CUGR NEWSLETTER 2013-2014

CUGR Calendar 2013-14 AY

Fall Fellowship:

- * Proposals Submission
October 1, 2013
- * Acceptance Notifications
November 1, 2013
- * Performance Period
November 1, 2013 - May 1, 2014

Showcase:

- * Abstract submission
March 1, 2014
- * Acceptance Notifications
March 15, 2014
- * Academic Showcase
April 2, 2014

Summer Fellowship:

- * Proposals Submission
March 15, 2014
- * Acceptance Notifications
April 2, 2014
- * Performance Period
May-August, 2014

Director's Welcome!

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all students and faculty to another exciting academic year at UMaine. We continue to support your research and creative activities this year with fall and summer fellowships. CUGR office looks forward to working with you all to organize another successful showcase this year. Check us out and Like us on Facebook! It's a way to share your research stories, and get up-to-date info on fellowships and showcase opportunities.

- CUGR Director, Ali Abedi

The CUGR Committee reviewed 41 applications from students of a variety of disciplines within 19 different departments for the **2013 CUGR Summer Research Fellowships**. Based on quality of proposed research, 5 proposals were each awarded \$3,000 to conduct their research during the summer of 2013. The fellowship recipients will present their research results at the 2014 CUGR Showcase!

2013 Summer Fellowship Award Recipients

1. **Ruth Castillo**, "Biofilm Formation on Medical Implants, A Zebrafish Model", Faculty Advisor: Paul Millard
2. **Jonathon Cole**, "Virtual Simulations of Compensatory Techniques for Age-related Vision Loss", Faculty Advisor: Nicholas Guidice
3. **Jameson Ford**, "Effects of Ketamine on Motor Coordination and Pain Sensitivity in Ethanol-Withdrawing Animals", Faculty Advisor: Alan Rosenwasser
4. **Audrey Maddox**, "Abundance and Species Composition of the Pollinator Community on Squash in Northeastern Maine", Faculty Advisor: Frank Drummond
5. **Nadine Nicke**, "Multicolor Time-Lapse Imaging of Immune Damage to a Fungal Pathogen", Faculty Advisor: Robert Wheeler



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CUGR Showcase Growth Statistics

Year	Students	Faculty/Mentor
2010	68	40
2011	84	59
2012	118	87
2013	195	71

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What We Do

In the fall of 2012, the highest levels of university leadership indicated support for increased undergraduate research opportunities for students and faculty by awarding CUGR a President's Request for Vision of University Excellence (PRE-VUE) grant entitled, *"Enhancing Undergraduate Academic Experiences through Student-Faculty Research Collaborations"*. This grant has led to the establishment of a Fellowship Program which began last year. The goal of CUGR is to enhance and increase undergraduate student involvement in faculty-supervised research.

Fellowships

The Fall and Summer Fellowships were established to help provide financial [support](#) for undergraduate student research as well as provide additional funding, if necessary, for supplies or other research-related expenses.

Academic Showcase

This event allows students from all departments the opportunity to display their research and creative activities amongst peers and the community, and get recognized by receiving awards for outstanding work.