

Office of Undergraduate Research
Student Application Template Worksheet

Please read project descriptions fully paying careful attention to anticipated student learning outcomes, mentoring plans of project leaders, and desired qualifications for research students. These parts of the project descriptions can help provide ideas for your own application.

Describe your previous coursework or research experience and how they prepare you to be an OUR Scholar.

Please be sure to describe your experiences and skills and don't just list classes. For example, think about how this has prepared you to problem solve, work on collaborative teams, or present complicated topics to different audiences orally or in writing.

Explain your interest in the program and your motivations to participate in research at this time.

What do you hope to gain from this experience in terms of skills, experiences, content, etc. What do you want to get out of the experience and why do you want to do it now (at this point in your career). What are your motivations and goals for participation? This is particularly important if applying outside your major discipline.

Please define how this research experience helps you accomplish your educational and professional goals as you look toward the future.

How does research fit into the big picture for your undergraduate education? Relate your goals from above to your discipline, profession, education goals, etc. Talk holistically about your education experience and how all the pieces fit together.

What information would you like us to know that we don't have from your university record that explains why you can be successful in a research setting?:

This is an optional question. If you had a specific hardship, took time to adjust to college, or if there is something you feel is unique about your circumstances that needs to be known, then use this space to advocate for yourself and demonstrate your potential for success in the program.

Other questions:

Are you currently employed or are you seeking additional employment on campus? :
If yes, how many hours per week?:

Have you applied for other programs to support your research involvement?
If yes, which one(s):

Which time commitment fits with your schedule and other commitments “Full” program or “Half” time program?

Select your mentored projects of interest in rank order from 1 to 3 and provide a response for why you selected the project from the list. *You must pick at least 2 unique projects for consideration.* This would be a good space to highlight interests in the work, previous experience, and required and recommended qualifications for the project. You are writing to the potential mentor in this section.

Affirmations (read these in the application carefully, as failure to meet expectation will result in position termination):

1. You will meet program expectations and will be *in person* for these events.
2. You can legally work in the U.S.
3. You are a UNC Charlotte student and must be enrolled during the program.
4. You currently have both good academic and good conduct standing.