

Barthalmus Research Award

APPLICATION PACKET

SNCURCS Advisory Committee
C/O NC STATE UNIVERSITY | OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Dr. George T. Barthalmus was the driving force behind the creation of the State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium. He had a passion for encouraging undergraduates to pursue their interests through the process of research, be it in the sciences, humanities, or through artistic expression. He was an advocate for early involvement of students in the research process as a way to engage and retain students in academics. To this end, the George Barthalmus Undergraduate Research Awards have been developed to promote early involvement in the research process through support of sophomores in a research project of their design. These awards are designed to assist students with development and engagement in undergraduate research. Students from all disciplines are invited to apply for the awards.

- Awards will be made to sophomores only (rising juniors).
- The call for proposals will go out near the start of the academic year.
- Proposals will be reviewed by faculty familiar with the field of research or mentors' discipline.
- Recommendations for funding will be considered by the SNCURCS Advisory Committee.
- Students will be notified via email by the deadline posted on the SNCURCS.org website.
- Awards will be processed by the Office of Undergraduate Research at NC State University.
- Award recipients will be announced at the Fall SNCURCS conference.
- Students are encouraged to apply for \$100-\$300 with a maximum award of \$500.
- Award recipients will be expected to present at SNCURCS the fall of the following academic year.
- Students are required to be U.S. citizens.

Application Detailed Information

1. Research awards are for research to be carried out between Fall and Spring/Summer of the academic year in which the recipient receives the award. Projects that are hypothesis-driven and include cost-sharing from the host institution will be most

competitive.

2. Applicants must be current sophomores in good standing at any North Carolina college or university, plan to be enrolled next year, and plan to present at the following SNCURCS.

A. Sophomore standing may include any student in their second year who will be enrolled at least one to two more additional academic years before graduating.

3. A faculty mentor cannot sponsor more than one applicant in any one year.

4. Award funds are distributed via check mailed to the student at the address listed on the cover page.

5. Awards are not able to be distributed to faculty mentors. Students, after receiving the award, may in turn write a check to their home institution for research items needed. Please check with your home institution for processing requirements.

6. Applicants must include the following:

A. **From the student:** One copy of the application packet that includes a cover sheet, proposal, and budget.

- 500-word narrative essay on the importance of research to their future plans. This should include an introduction with a clear statement of purpose, methods and materials, timeline for the work, and listing of pertinent references. It should be no longer than three pages typed, double spaced.
- A one-page budget summary. Itemize as specifically as possible; no miscellaneous line items, please. The budget should be comprehensive; however, since typical grants will be in the \$100-\$500 range, projects requiring more funding than this should include a short statement that indicates source(s) from which additional funding will be sought (e.g. institution cost-sharing, another grant, etc.)

B. **From the faculty sponsor:** One copy of a supporting letter. The letter may be sealed in a separate envelope or mailed directly to the address listed in this document.

7. Any research requiring special permits or approvals (e.g. human or animal use,

euthanasia, banding, etc.) should clearly state that those permits will be, or are, in hand before research is conducted. Individuals and the institution are responsible for obtaining all appropriate permits and approvals.

8. Recipients must present a paper or poster on their research at the SNCURCS in the Fall of 2021.

9. All application materials should be mailed to:

George T. Barthalmus Research Award

c/o Ms. Heather King

Office of Undergraduate Research at NC State University

Campus Box 7576

Raleigh, NC 27695-7576

or emailed as pdf documents to **undergraduate-research@ncsu.edu**.

10. **2020 Deadline** for receipt of all application materials is **October 9, 2020**. Recipients will be notified of awards by October 26, 2020. Recipients must indicate their acceptance of the grant by November 4, 2020, in order to be recognized in the State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium Abstract Book.

11. Questions? Email Heather King at **hking@ncsu.edu**.

Barthalmus Research Award Cover, Proposal and Budget Form

Student Name (Last,
First):

Student Mailing
Address:

City, State, Zip:

Student Email Address

College or University:

General Area of
Research (Biology,
History, Business, etc.)

Funding Amount
Requested:

\$

Projected Dates of Research:

Title of Research
Proposals:

I certify that I plan to be enrolled at the institution named above during the 2020-2021 academic year. I understand that to be eligible for a Barthalmus Research Award I must (a) be a sophomore (b) present a paper or poster on my research at the 2021 Fall symposium (SNCURCS) and (c) submit a brief financial report to the Advisory Committee of SNCURCS upon completion of the research.

Students Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Faculty Research Mentor: _____

Faculty Mentor Email: _____

Faculty Mentor Phone: _____

Faculty Mentor Discipline/College: _____

Faculty Signature: _____ Date: _____

Project Proposal:

Insert your project proposal. You can add a maximum of 3 pages, typed, double spaced.

PROPOSAL BUDGET

Student First and Last Name: _____

Student Home Institution: _____

Title of Research Proposal: _____

Budget:

Category of Expense	Description of Expense	Total Price
<i>Example: Travel</i>	<i>\$0.53 per mile to collect samples, round trip 30 miles</i>	<i>\$16</i>
	Estimated Total Expenses (rounded to nearest whole dollar):	

This is an estimated costs budget and you do not have to list all expenses if the project will go above the maximum award of \$500.