

PUBP4699 – Undergraduate Research: Syllabus Fall 2026

Course Information:

Course Prefix and Number: PUBP 4699

Course Name: Undergraduate Research

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Course Description

Undergraduate research conducted under the guidance of a faculty mentor.

What is undergraduate research? Broadly, undergraduate research is a research, scholarly, or creative project conducted by an undergraduate student under the guidance of a faculty mentor that contributes new knowledge and/or discoveries to the broader professional community.

Why is undergraduate research important? Undergraduate research is a recognized high-impact practice and an important transformative learning experience for students. High-quality mentored research experiences build confidence, foster deeper understanding, and enhance personal and professional development.

Course Learning Outcomes

By enrolling in this course, students will

- Gain experience in conducting research
- Ethical Conduct of Research
 - a. Show understanding of the importance of principles of Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR)

Required Course Materials

No textbooks or materials are required.

Grading Policy

Weekly participation and final presentation of original work, 90-100 points, A, 80-89 points, B, 70-79 points C, 60-69 D, 59 or less F.

- Visitor (V) or Withdrawn (W) or Withdrawn (W)

Attendance Policy

Undergraduate research students will participate in research activities on a weekly basis commensurate with registered credit hours and as discussed with faculty research mentors.

Academic Honesty/Integrity Statement

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. All work submitted must be original and properly cited. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty will result in immediate consequences as outlined in the university's academic honor code: <https://policylibrary.gatech.edu/student-life/academic-honor-code>

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

If you are a student with learning needs that require special accommodation, [contact the Office of Disability Services](#) (404-894-2563) as soon as possible to make an appointment to discuss your special needs and to obtain an accommodations letter. Please also e-mail me as soon as possible in order to set up a time to discuss your learning needs.

Campus Resources

The Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) provides resources and support for undergraduate research students and their mentors. Visit <https://undergradresearch.gatech.edu/> or contact UROP at urop@gatech.edu for more information.