INTRODUCTION

The University of Scranton will offer six undergraduate student summer research grants for 2016. The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs will administer the program. The $3,000 stipends are offered to provide students with the opportunity to engage in a research project with a full-time faculty mentor during a ten-week period. In addition to the $3,000 student award, $500 is allocated for materials and/or student travel. Student awardees will have a residence hall bed assigned free of charge during the research period. Faculty mentors will be awarded a $1,000 honorarium.

PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

- Research proposals are to be prepared by students with faculty mentor assistance.
- Each proposal must be typed in 12 point font, double-spaced, and include:
  Abstract (1 page)
  Narrative (maximum of 7 pages)
  Background
  Research objectives and importance of the proposed project
  Methodology
  Description of both student and faculty roles in the research project
  Dissemination plan for research results, including potential products and authorship
  Bibliography
  CV of faculty member (2 pages; experience relevant to research topic and student mentoring)
  CV of student (2 pages)
  Student transcript (unofficial copy is acceptable) – include with paper copy only

- Submit by April 4, 2016
  one (1) original signed paper copy with transcripts to the Associate Provost St. Thomas Hall, Room 5122
  AND
  one (1) electronic (MS Word) copy without transcripts as an e-mail attachment to Linda Walsh, linda.walsh@scranton.edu

- Students selected to receive the awards are required to display a poster of their work at the following spring’s Annual Celebration of Student Scholars (held in early May).

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- Undergraduate students who will continue full-time undergraduate study at The University of Scranton in Fall 2016 are eligible for a 2016 summer research stipend.
- Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.00 at the time of proposal submission and at least a B+ in their major.
  (Students who do not meet the criteria may be considered for an award on the recommendation of their faculty mentor.)
  To receive the award, students must be free of academic and disciplinary restrictions at the end of the Spring 2016 semester.

REVIEW

- The Faculty Research Committee will evaluate the proposals. Faculty on the Committee who submit proposals will not take part in the review process.
- Criteria to be used in the review process include:
  Merit of the proposed work
  Credentials of the faculty member and expectation for success in the research
  Credentials of the student and expectation for success
  Quality and extent of the student’s role in the proposed work
  Potential for joint authorship on communications resulting from the proposed work
- Given proposals of equivalent quality, preference will be given to those candidates who have not received this award previously.
- Awards will be announced on April 28, 2016.

QUESTIONS? Please contact Linda Walsh, Office of the Provost, 570-941-7520, or linda.walsh@scranton.edu