

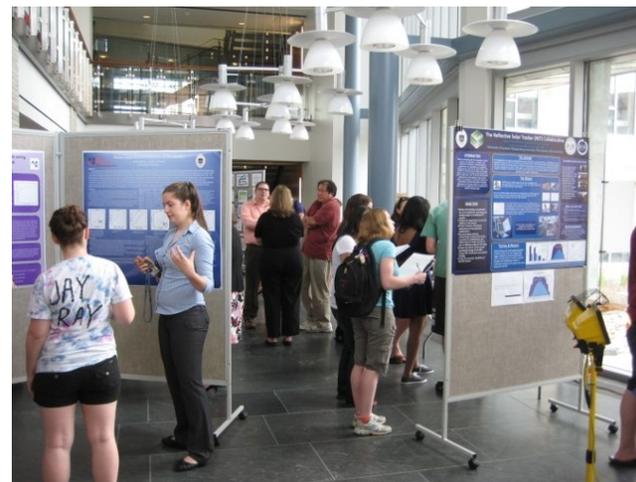
Summary of Steps:

- Consider your skills, interests and education.
- Review the Faculty Directory to identify faculty you would like to work with.
- Visit faculty.
- Jointly complete and sign a Learning Contract.
- Submit a copy of both sides of the completed Learning Contract to the Registrar's Office (O'Hara Hall 1st floor). Faculty members should keep the original contract. An official roster for each subject area will be sent to the faculty member by the Registrar's Office.
- Work directly with faculty sponsor.
- At the end of the term, the faculty sponsor and student should jointly complete the evaluation section of the Learning Contract. The faculty sponsor should keep this form. A copy may also be given to the student.
- The Registrar's Office will send the faculty sponsor a final grade roster on which a "SATISFACTORY" (S) grade or "NO CREDIT" can be reported for the FSRP. This roster will be delivered to the Registrar's Office by the faculty member.
- PLEASE NOTE: Students are NOT penalized for failure to complete the terms of a Learning Contract. Students will simply not receive transcript recognition for their participant in the program.

Note: Giving FSRP Transcript Recognition for essentially the same work being performed in credit courses (i.e. undergraduate research or honors courses) is not appropriate.



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Faculty Student Research Program (FSRP)

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EXPLANATION OF FSRP

WHAT IS FSRP?

The principal purpose of the Faculty/Student Research Program (FSRP) is to offer you the opportunity to be involved in faculty research activities. The FSRP offers you powerful learning experiences which transcend the traditional roles of faculty/student relationships.

The program is university-wide and covers all academic departments. Participation is open to all undergraduates and graduate students in good academic standing. Although this program is offered on a **non-credit basis**, students will receive **transcript recognition** for their participation. The FSRP is currently being administered by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) and the Registrar's Office.

BENEFITS:

- * FSRP supports and encourages increased research activities at the university level.
- * Collaborative efforts of the faculty and students create an environment in which students can conduct research, develop research skills, and apply knowledge gained in coursework.
- * Meaningful dialogue between students and faculty is at the core of the learning process. This dialogue is enhanced by the opportunity for faculty and students to interact outside the classroom.
- * Faculty benefit from the assistance of capable, motivated students.

HOW IT WORKS:

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs maintains a list of faculty sponsors on our website in the *Faculty Student Research Program Directory*. After consulting the directory, interested students identify a sponsor from the pool of faculty, and then meet with the potential faculty sponsor to discuss the research and activities involved. If the student and the faculty reach an agreement, they jointly complete a learning contract (found on ORSP website) detailing the nature of the research and the task involved. It is also possible to propose a research project to a faculty member not listed in the directory and have it qualify under FSRP.

Students are required to commit a minimum of one full semester or a summer or intersession term to FSRP. Work may continue beyond one term but you must register **each term**. Students should expect to devote 20-50 hours per term to the research activities; however, the exact scheduling of their time may vary depending on the particular research needs, and the personal schedule of the faculty member and the student.

Note: Most faculty members are **NOT** looking for students with prior research experience. They **ARE** looking for students who genuinely want to participate in research and who will be energetic and reliable assistants.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND FORMS

VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

www.scranton.edu/academics/provost/research