OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENT RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

At UBC-Vancouver, students report feeling more prepared for their career, able to apply academic learning, and develop research skills after participating in the research experiences.1

Here are some undergraduate research opportunities to explore, supported by the Centre for Student Involvement and Careers:

1. **NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA)**

   The [NSERC USRA](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca) allows you to gain research experience by working on research projects with a faculty member.

   **Position Type:** Minimum 16 consecutive weeks of full-time (35 hours per week) work; terms include:
   - Summer (May – August)
   - Fall (September – December)
   - Winter (January – April)

   **Salary:** Minimum $8321.60 for the term

   **Faculty eligibility:** UBC-V and UBC-O faculty members

   **Student eligibility:** Canadian students are eligible - details can be found on the [program website](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca).

   **Application Information:** Applications open annually in January. For details regarding the application process, contact your Faculty/School/Department Coordinator.

   **Contact:** For inquiries, please contact [nserr.usra@ubc.ca](mailto:nserr.usra@ubc.ca).

2. **Work Learn International Undergraduate Research Awards**

   The [Work Learn International Undergraduate Research Awards](https://www.worklearn.com) allows you to gain research experience in an academic setting.

   **Position Type:** Minimum 16 consecutive weeks of full-time (35 hours per week) work; program is offered in the summer (May – August) term only.

   **Salary:** Minimum $8654.46 (inclusive of 4% vacation) for the term

   **Faculty eligibility:** UBC-Vancouver faculty members

   **Student eligibility:** International students are eligible - details can be found on the [program website](https://www.worklearn.com).

   **Application Information:** You can work with a faculty member to submit a research proposal on the UBC CareersOnline. Proposals open from November 2020 – January 2021.

   **Contact:** For inquiries, please contact [worklearn.iuira@ubc.ca](mailto:worklearn.iuira@ubc.ca).

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1 UBC Workplace Learning Program Survey, 2018. (N = 105)
3. Work Learn

The Work Learn Program helps you build your skills and grow your professional network in a work environment right here on campus.

**Position Type:** Part-time
- Winter Term (September – April): Maximum 10 hours per week
- Summer Term (May – August): Maximum 20 hours per week

**Salary:** Average salary is $16.00/hour

**Faculty eligibility:** UBC-Vancouver faculty members

**Student eligibility:** UBC-Vancouver students are eligible - details can be found on the program website.

**Application Information:** Positions are posted on UBC CareersOnline for two weeks:
- For Winter Term positions: August
- For Summer Term positions: March

**Contact:** For inquiries, please contact work.learn@ubc.ca

4. UBC CareersOnline

UBC CareersOnline is an online opportunities board. You can search for research-related experiences that vary in position type, location, and industry.

**Contact:** For inquiries, please contact recruit.talent@ubc.ca

5. Faculty/School-Specific Research Opportunities

There may be discipline-specific research opportunities in your Faculty/School/department. These include research awards, co-op, directed studies, research abroad, and course-based research.

**Contact:** Visit your Faculty/School/department website for details.

6. Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

The Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies have tools you can use to get project ideas or find faculty members you would like to work with:

- Researcher lookup tool: [https://www.grad.ubc.ca/researcher-search](https://www.grad.ubc.ca/researcher-search)
- Supervisor directory: [https://www.grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students/research-supervisors](https://www.grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students/research-supervisors)
- List of open projects: [https://www.grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students/research-projects](https://www.grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students/research-projects)