Undergraduate Research Award (URA)
Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)
Hamel Center for Undergraduate Research

UNH FACULTY MENTOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

Student Applicant: Complete and sign the top portion of this form before giving it to your UNH faculty recommender.

Student’s Name: ________________________________________________________________________________
Major/College: ________________________________________________________________________________
Title of Project: ________________________________________________________________________________

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and its amendments guarantee students access to educational records concerning them. Students are also permitted to waive their right of access to recommendations.

Student: “I waive my right to read this letter of recommendation.” □ Yes □ No
Student Signature: ___________________________________________ Date: ______________________

The form below must be completed by the faculty mentor and, with a letter of recommendation, must be attached to the original application in a sealed, signed envelope. Please do not submit letters of recommendation via campus mail.

Application Deadlines: • October 7, 2020 (for research during January Term or spring 2021)
• March 3, 2021 (for research during summer or fall 2021)

Faculty Mentor’s Name: __________________________________________________________________________
Mentor’s Department/College: _____________________________________________________________________
Mentor’s Phone Number ________________________ Email Address: ________________________________

To the UNH Faculty Mentor:
A. In advising your URA applicant, please review the following materials, which are included in the UNH Faculty Mentor Memo provided to you by the applicant – also available online at http://unh.edu/undergrad-research/undergraduate-research-awards-ura
   1. Proposal Outline
   2. Criteria for Evaluation of Applications

   COVID-19 NOTE: URA applications for AY2020-21 should reflect the University’s mode of operation at the time of application, and be designed to follow the policies and procedures in place for all University research as determined by the Senior Vice Provost for Research (SVPR), including social distancing and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). For the most up-to-date information, mentors should consult the SVPR’s COVID-19 Updates and Resources for Research page.

B. In a letter of recommendation attached to this form, please respond to the following questions:
   1. Evaluate your past or present experience supervising the student in coursework or research.
   2. How well prepared is the student to undertake the project in the time period allowed?
   3. What is the significance of the project and its potential educational value for the student?
   4. What is the relationship between the student’s project and your own research or areas of expertise?
   5. If you are supervising more than one applicant, or if your applicant is continuing research done by previous Hamel Center award recipients, please explain the relationship between these various research projects.

Note: If you hope to mentor more than two student projects during the same research period – i.e., during the academic year or summer (including REAP, SURF, IROP, and Undergraduate Research Awards combined) – please see the note on p. 1 of the URA Faculty Mentor Memo.

I have reviewed the student’s application (cover sheet, proposal, budget) and completed the UNH Faculty Mentor Recommendation Form, and I agree to mentor this project, if funded.

Signature________________________________________ Date ______________________

Please attach your letter of recommendation to this cover sheet; place it in a sealed, signed envelope; and give it to the applicant for submission to the Hamel Center for Undergraduate Research.

Questions? Hamel Center for Undergraduate Research • 118 Conant Hall • (603) 862-4323