



## MASSACHUSETTS UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

**Friday, April 23, 2021**

Virtual Event

Each year, undergraduate students from all academic disciplines gather to present research and creative activity before their peers, faculty mentors, and the public. Last year, 1,100 students from nearly all of the public college and university campuses in Massachusetts submitted abstracts for presentation at the conference.

[www.umass.edu/honors/MassURC](http://www.umass.edu/honors/MassURC)

### REASONS TO PARTICIPATE

- Gain experience presenting your research to general and academic audiences.
- Exchange ideas with other undergraduate scholars.
- Receive feedback from faculty members and peers in your field.
- Enhance your résumé, including your professional online profile.

### ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible to submit an abstract for review if you are an undergraduate student currently enrolled at any of the twenty-eight state universities and colleges within the Massachusetts System of Public Higher Education.

- Students with research projects currently in progress are welcome to submit abstracts.
- All projects must be sponsored by a faculty member.

### PRESENTATION FORMATS

- Students present individually or in small groups.
- All presentations must be prerecorded and submitted to the MassURC submission system. Videos can ONLY be accepted as a web-based link (URL) from a video hosting platform (e.g. Zoom, YouTube, Vimeo), which will be added to the MassURC event app in advance of the virtual event.
- Maximum presentation length: 12 minutes

### NEXT STEPS

1. Reach out to your Campus Contact with questions about the conference or submission process.
2. Secure a faculty sponsor who will provide support for your research project and approve your abstract withing the MassURC system.
3. Register to create a user account. Registration opens **Wednesday, December 16, 2020**.
4. Write and submit your abstract for review. Abstract submission deadline: **Monday, March 1, 2021**.
5. Your abstract must be reviewed and approved by your Faculty Sponsor in the MassURC system. Abstract approval deadline: **Monday, March 15, 2021**.
6. Record your presentation and submit the URL from your video hosting platform by **Monday, April 12, 2021**.

**SUBMIT  
ABSTRACT BY:  
MARCH 1, 2021**