Class of 2021! Apply for the Rice Undergraduate Scholars Program (RUSP)!

- Are you interested in pursuing a research career?
- Do you think a Ph.D. might be the next step for you?
- Are you pursuing a one-year research project during your senior year?
- Would you like $1000 to fund your senior research project?

Program Summary: The Rice Undergraduate Scholars Program (RUSP) is a two-semester, for-credit program aimed at senior Rice students in all disciplines who are interested in pursuing a research career and planning a one-year senior research project through an honors thesis or independent study. Students attend weekly seminars on topics related to graduate school and research careers across sectors. The program is focused on developing research and presentation skills, an understanding of a research career, and how to apply to graduate school and nationally competitive fellowships. In addition, all students in the program receive funding that may be used for research materials or conference attendance.

Benefits: Students will receive one credit per semester, access to research funds, an understanding of academic life, feedback on essays for graduate applications and fellowships, and an appreciation of the broader impact of their research.

Course: The 2020-2021 course is on Thursday from 5-6:15 pm in both the fall and spring semesters. Registration and attendance is required during both semesters in order to be eligible for funding. The graded course components per semester include research presentations, application essays, project proposals, and class participation.

How to Apply:
You will need a transcript, resume, photo, personal statement, project proposal, and a letter of recommendation from your research mentor.

1. Click the following link to access the application: [ceapp2.rice.edu/application](ceapp2.rice.edu/application)
2. Create an application by answering every question on the first page, and upload your transcript, resume, and photo. Don't forget to select "Rice Undergraduate Scholars Program (RUSP)" when asked which Award/Opportunity you are applying for. Once you complete these steps, you can return to the CCL portal at any time to upload your essay and the name of your recommender.
3. Under essay, upload a one-page project proposal and one-page personal statement of interest submitted as a single pdf.
4. Enter the name and email of your recommender, who will automatically receive a link.

APPLICATIONS DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2020

For more info, go to [http://ouri.rice.edu/rice-undergraduate-scholars-program-rusp-1](http://ouri.rice.edu/rice-undergraduate-scholars-program-rusp-1)

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