

Associate Deans for Research

Friday, July 15, 2016
MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance: Jillian Inouye, Jay Shen, Connie Mobley, Michael Tylo, Kendall Hartley, Andrew Hanson, Billy Bai, Jennifer Keene, Annette Day, Jackie Hess, Carl Reiber, Zach Miles, John Brodie, David Paul, Liam Frink, Lori Olafson, Robin Toles, Carol Brodie, and Parvesh Kumar

1. General Announcements/Updates – Zach Miles
 - a. Research Week: Oct. 3-7 (draft schedule attached)
 - i. Kickoff Event – Lightening Talks – Liam Frink
 1. Highlight Dean's areas of achievement
2. Workday Update – Jackie Hess
 - a. Workday is a cloud-based software as a service selected to replace NSHE's separate HR, Payroll and Finance applications including HRMS, Advantage, Munis, iLeave, etc.
 - b. Initial project timeline would have had HR & Payroll live in April 2016. However for a number of reasons the decision was made last year to align HR and Payroll with Finance, and implement October 2016.
 - c. The first round of testing, intended to successfully test Workday business processes and configuration completed to that point, occurred early this year. Based on testing results, tester feedback, identified functionality gaps, and the remaining work to be completed the project prepared a revised timeline for an October 2017 implementation which was accepted by the Board of Regents in June.
 - d. The delay is the right decision. It affords more time to complete necessary tasks, develop and conduct training, and leverage Workday functionality that is slated to be introduced in spring 2017 which will reduce the number of temporary solutions we'd have to implement with an earlier date.
 - e. Upcoming milestones:
 - i. Unit testing (largely a repeat of testing efforts from earlier this year) - November 2016
 - ii. Payroll parallel testing - January 2017 (after W2 processing complete)
 - iii. Integration and report testing - Spring 2017
3. FIRs as Primary Investigators – Carl Reiber
 - a. Exceptions to the PI eligibility policy may be made on a per college basis in collaboration with the provost office.
4. Spotlight on Research – Liam Frink
 - a. Office of Undergraduate Research (presentation attached)

5. Volunteers for Spotlight on Research – All
 - a. Aug. 19 – Deb Martin, Anthropology
 - b. Sept. 16 – Kendall Hartley, Graduate College
 - c. Oct. 21 – Volunteer Needed
6. Future Agenda Items
 - a. Aug. 19 – Research Services FY2016 4th Quarter Reports

Next Research Council Meeting:
August 19, 2016, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., SEB 2251

Research Week

Tentative Schedule

October 03

11:30-1:00 Kickoff Event – Lightening Talks – Goldfield Room (Liam Frink/Zach Miles)

October 04

11:30-1:00 Got Research? – SU 207 (Jill Zimbelman)

4:00-6:00 Graduate Showcase – TBD (Val Burke)

October 05

10:00-11:30 NSF Workshop – SU 205 (Val Burke)

1:00-2:30 Designing Effective Research Assignments – LLB 2141 (Val Burke)

October 06

11:00-1:00 OUR – TBD (Liam Frink)

11:30-1:00 Research, and Mentorship Reception – SU Ballroom C (Val Burke)

3:30-5:00 Phi Kappa Phi Member Showcase Lecture – Barrick Museum (Val Burke)

October 07

9:30-11:30 Undergraduate to Graduate School Workshop – Barrick Museum (Val Burke)

11:30-1:00 Research@UNLV – SEB Lobby & Auditorium (Jill Zimbelman)

- Presentation
- Technology Expo
- SEB Tours

11:30-1:30 GPSA Campus-wide Funding Workshop: Patrick Daledian – SU 205 (Val Burke)

Questions: Contact Jill Zimbelman at 895-1828

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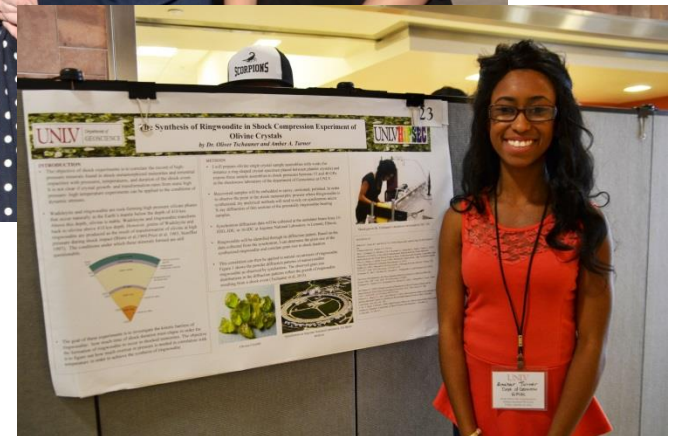
Research is a proven tool to promote student recruitment, retention, and degree completion, particularly for underrepresented students. Undergraduates receive hands-on skill building, integrate into the UNLV mission, engage in peer cohorts and advising, and are mentored by our leading research faculty and community collaborators.



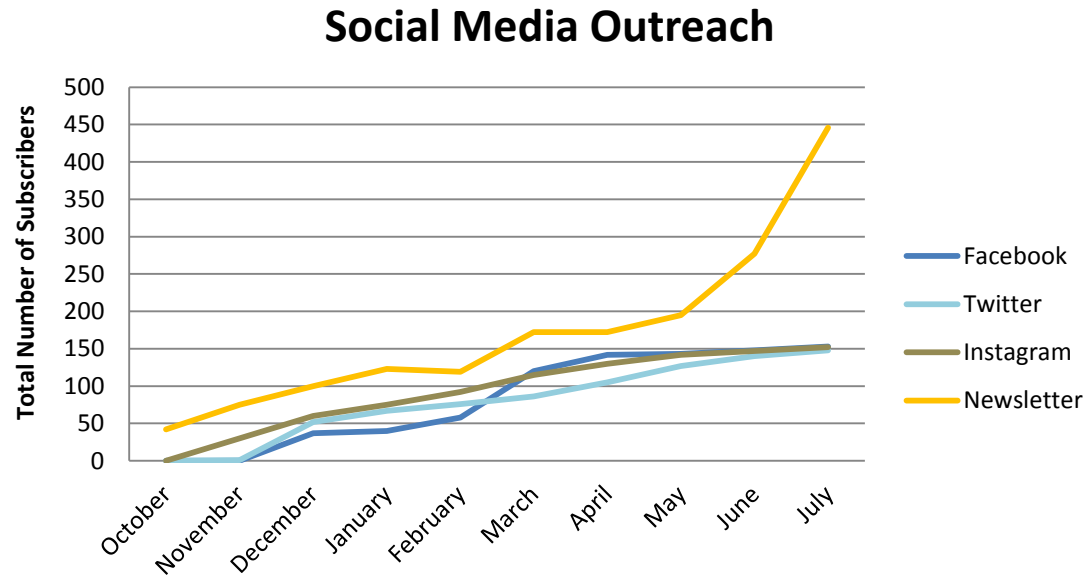
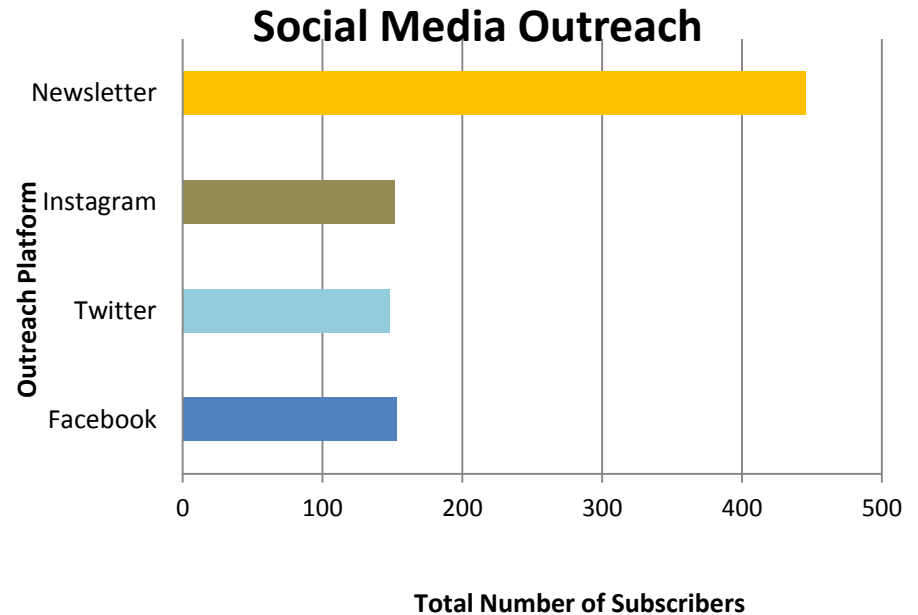
The OUR team consists of Director Liam Frink, Program Manager Dr. Sharon Young, GA's Lauren Galloway and Sarah McIntosh, and Undergraduates Sophia Phan and Nicole Thomas.

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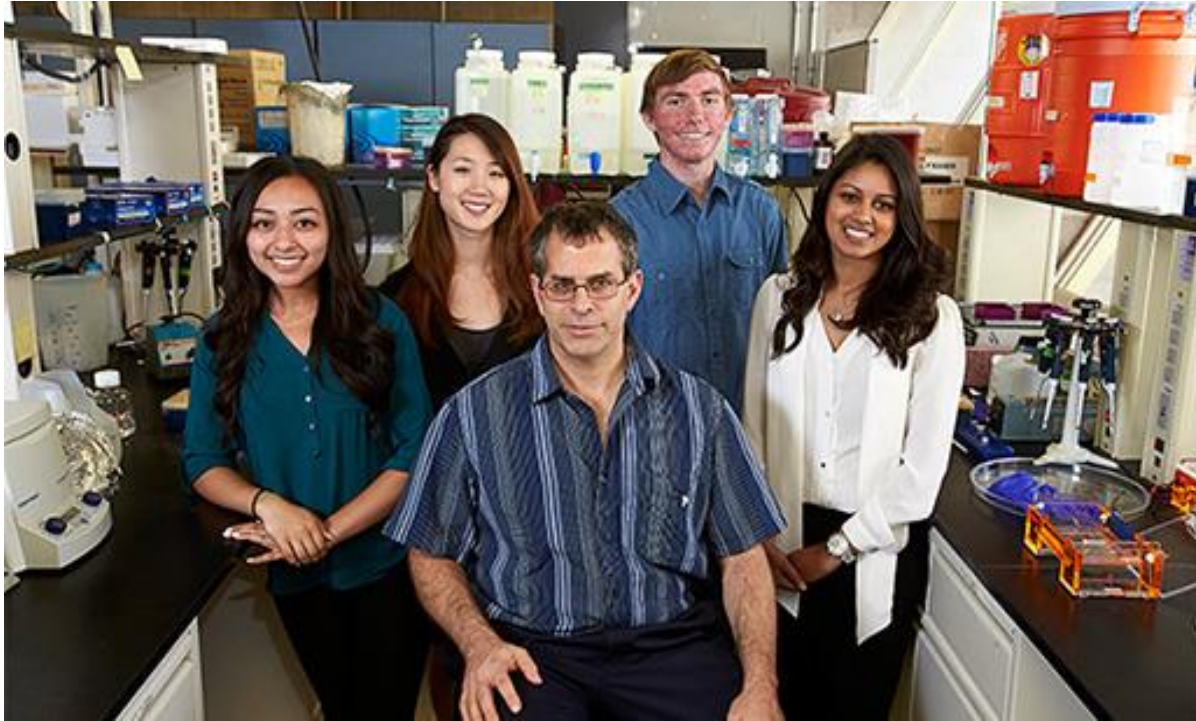
OUR Ambassadors represent colleges from across the campus and act as liaisons at OUR and other events and act as reviewers for award applications



OUR-UNLV has greatly increased its social media presence since its inception in October 2015. Our Twitter and Facebook accounts have grown to 148 and 153 followers, respectively. Our Instagram account, created in January 2016, has already garnered 152 followers. With our social media we reach students, faculty, and community partners.



Through OUR social media we actively promote faculty research mentors and undergraduate researchers from our STEM fields



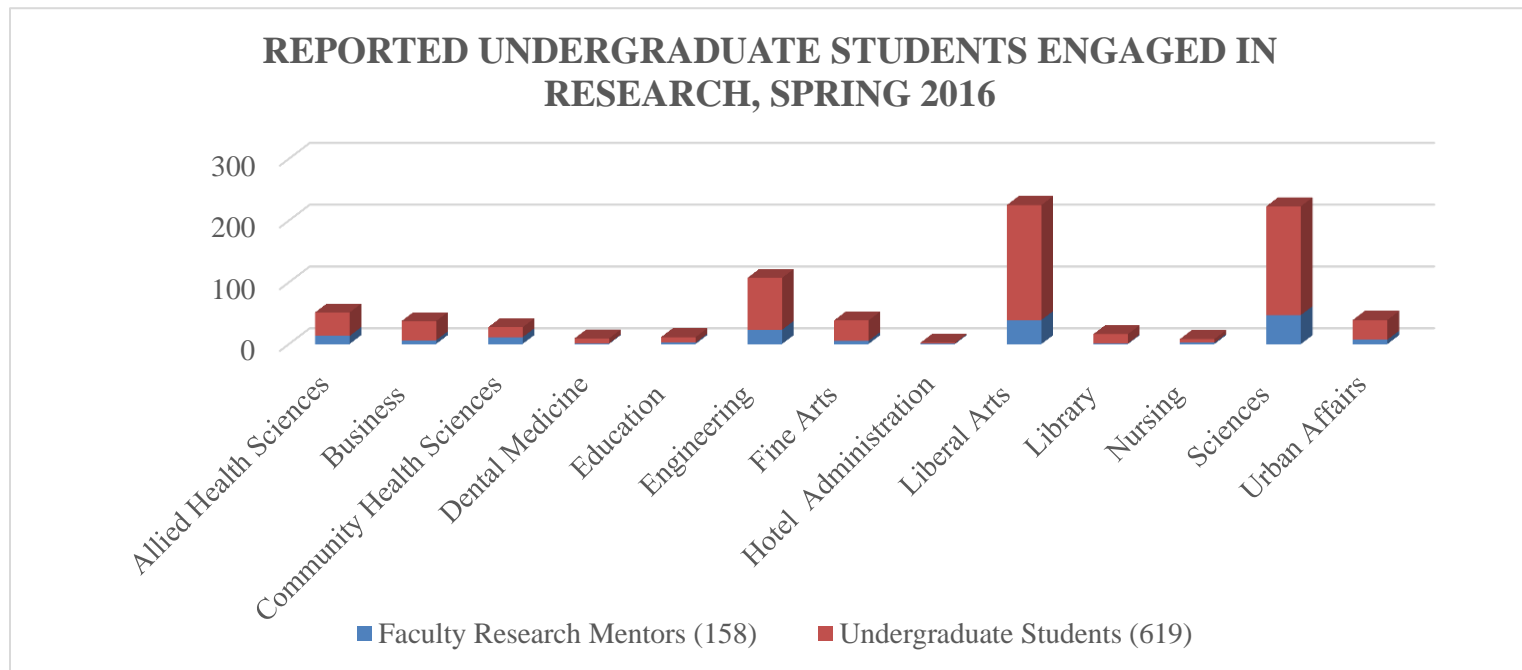
Dr. Marty Schiller works with many undergraduate researchers in his lab. These students perform at a high professional level – e.g., undergraduate Alum Kiran Mathew (on right) has been an author on 3 publications out of the Schiller Lab. (image UNLV photo services)

OUR vigorously highlights and promotes research activities from units across campus



Assistant Professor of Film Brett Levner and her student CarrieAnne Cahall edit the film “The Track” – now playing at film festivals across the country. CarrieAnne and other undergraduates raised funds to produce the film (Start-up), filmed, and edited the movie.

Systematizing and gathering data on undergraduate research is a primary goal of OUR. We are currently constructing the OUR-UNLV Undergraduate Research Registry to collect campus data and provide an effective and efficient platform for *on-line training* of undergraduates (such as IRB, CITI...).

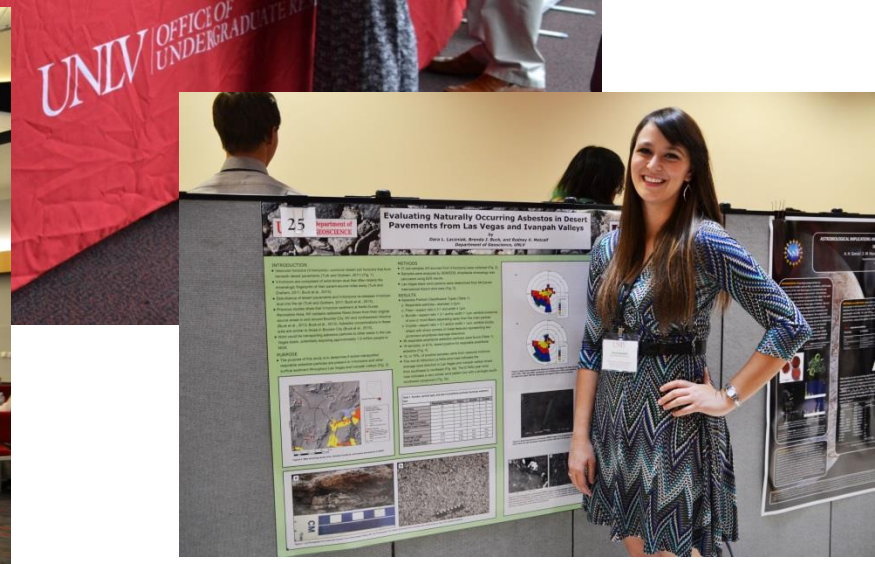


This data is from an email survey to all faculty (who answered survey, 40% response rate) and # of students they worked with Spring 2016. We categorize “research” as 1) working directly with a Faculty Research Mentor, 2) novel work, and 3) it is publically re/viewed (a publication, a performance, a conference presentation. (#3 allows for recognition of courses that integrate research that is publically viewed)

OUR-UNLV Campus and Community Engagement Activities (FY16)		
Event/Activity	Number	Participants
Research Forums Hosted	2	145 Presenters; 500 Attendees
Workshops Designed & Hosted	6	275 Attendees
Campus Events Supported	7	300 Attendees
Student Consultations & Placement	60	N/A
Faculty & Student Research Profiles	30	N/A

OUR effectively creates and coordinates professional development events for Undergraduates. In our first year of operation we engaged over 1,200 students, faculty, NSHE, Alums, and community partners. The OUR team also connects undergraduates to research opportunities, and actively promotes the work that undergraduates and their Faculty Research Mentors are doing on campus.

We now host 3 RESEARCH FORUMS in the Fall, Spring, and Summer session. Undergraduates present poster and oral presentations and lightning talks (3 minute presentations). News Channel 3 covered our Spring 2016 event.



Prior to each research forum we have professional development workshops to prepare the undergraduates. We integrate undergraduates in peer-mentoring in all of our events.



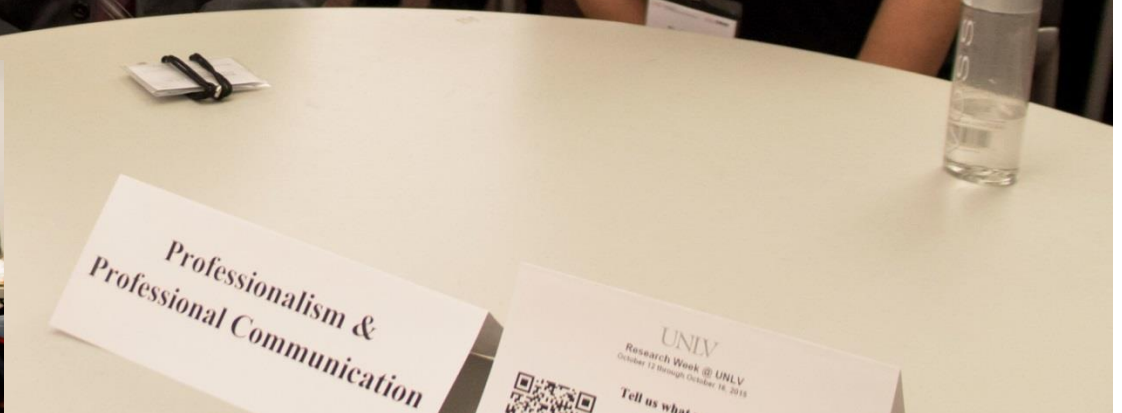
At our events we feature faculty research mentors and the undergraduates they work with. We actively promote other units to integrate faculty and undergraduate research teams at their events.



At our events we successfully incorporate alums, other NSHE institutions (students, faculty, and administration), and our community and business partners



We collaborate effectively across campus when we host professional development workshops.



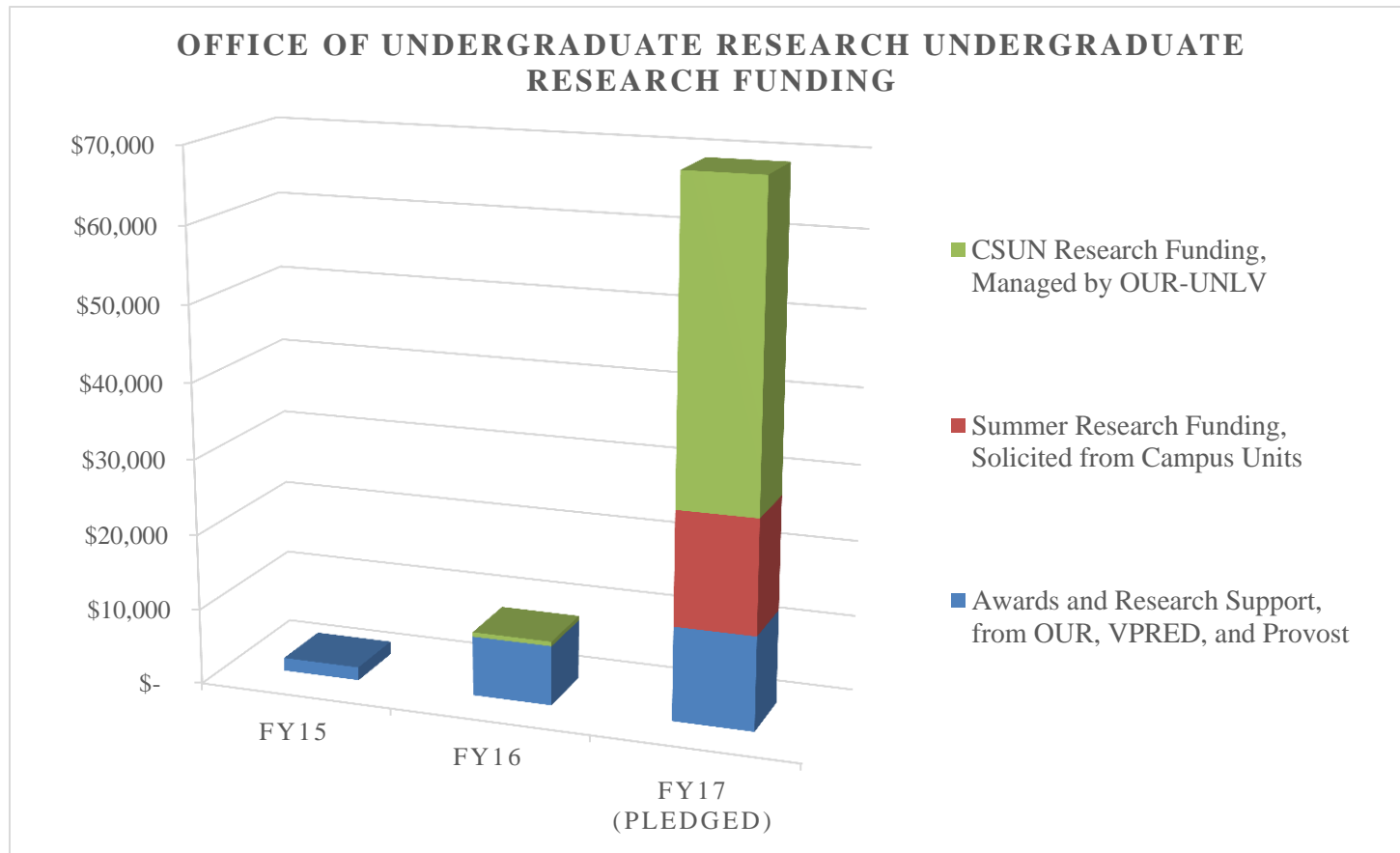
A very popular collaborative event is the CSUN Research Fair during Research Week @ UNLV. This event highlights labs and other research opportunities available to undergraduates.



Of course STEM labs are prominent at the Research Fair – and we have faculty from across the campus recruiting student researchers.



Funding dedicated to supporting and stimulating undergraduate research has significantly increased.



FY 15 - \$1,750 (VPRED)

FY 16 - \$7,900 (VPRED, Provost, OUR); \$600 (CSUN)

FY 17 (Projected) - \$12,400 (VPRED, Provost, OUR); ~\$15,000 (Campus Units); \$41,600 (CSUN)

One of the primary ways we have funded undergraduates so far has been through award \$ at our forums (\$1750 FY15 and \$3900 FY16).



A great way to promote undergraduate research is to create awards. In FY16 we presented the first OUR-UNLV Faculty Research Mentor (Dr. Nora Caberoy, SoLS), and Undergraduate Scholar Awards (Diana Pena, SoLS, mentor Dr. Kelly Tseng and Justin Le, Engineering, mentor Drs. Yingtao Jiang and Emma Regentova). (each award \$500)



OUR partnership with CSUN has been productive, rewarding, and essential—for our events as well as funding. Their thoughtful impact investment in UNLV undergraduates has increased to over \$40,000 (FY17). OUR manages the funding, including the application and review process for all awards.



Here is the latest CSUN award OUR is managing. As with all of CSUN's undergraduate funding initiatives they promote and support a range of research across the campus.

Apply for the CSUN Undergraduate Research Stipend

Posted: July 13, 2016

The CSUN Undergraduate Research Stipend provides financial support to students who display research ability and potential while they actively engage in a research project. A primary function of this scholarship is to reduce financial barriers that students may face while completing undergraduate research activities by decreasing the need for outside employment. This scholarship includes funding for six (6) undergraduate students who will be actively working on a research, scholarly, or art project during the 2016-2017 academic year: 3 recipients from the Social Sciences, Fine Arts, and Humanities, and 3 recipients from STEM fields. Each of the 6 recipients will receive a research stipend of \$5,000 per academic year, to be disbursed across two semesters. **Please note that scholarship awards disbursed during the fall semester will not post to the recipient's account until *after* the fall semester tuition payment deadline**

Deadline: Monday, August 8, 2016 at 5:00 PM

OUR is having a positive impact on our campus culture – directly adding to UNLV’s efforts to aspire as a Top Tier University. The forming of the office was seeded by the NSHE EPSCoR Office and a team of dedicated research faculty led by Dr. Brian Hedlund. Essential to this process and OUR success has been the leadership of former VPRED Dr. Tom Piechota (pictured below speaking at the 2015 Fall Undergraduate Research Forum).

