

## ELIGIBILITY

Undergraduate students must be enrolled in independent research in Biological Sciences (**MUST BE A BIO SCI 199 – other School’s 199s are not accepted**) and have completed a minimum of four (4) quarters of research on the same project by the end of Spring Quarter, 2020. At least one quarter must be taken during the 2019-2020 academic year. Students must also be enrolled at UCI through Spring quarter and graduate no earlier than Spring of the year they are participating. Students must be in good academic standing with an official, cumulative **UCI GPA of 3.0** or better by Fall quarter 2019 end. There can be **NO** record of Academic Dishonesty. Those students who have earned Excellence in Research previously are eligible again, provided that all the requirements are met and the research project is different. Papers and posters must be done individually. They may not be co-authored. Please speak to your Faculty if there are several students in your lab participating in Excellence. Your project needs to be divided so that each student has their own, unique part to report on. If there is any question regarding your eligibility, you are urged to contact Susan Schafer in the Biological Sciences Student Affairs Office (824-5318) prior to attending workshops. **Eligibility requirements are strictly adhered to. Exceptions are not permitted.**

To be considered for Excellence in Research in the Biological Sciences, eligible students must, according to program standards: 1) attend November workshop\*, 2) submit the appropriate forms, 3) complete a scientific paper and 4) present a research poster. **Based on the students’ work in its entirety “Excellence” is then determined and awarded by the Honors Committee.** Students awarded with “Excellence” will have their paper published in the on line *Journal of Undergraduate Research in the Biological Sciences, 2019-2020*.

**If awarded, Excellence in Research will meet the requirement for the third Upper Division Bio Lab for the general Bio Sci major. Three (3) Upper Division Bio Labs must be completed to meet the requirements for graduation in the Biological Sciences. May be any 3 from D111L, E106L, E112L, E115L, E131L, E140L, E161L, E166L, E179L, E186L, M114L, M116L, M118L, M121L, M127L, M130L, N113L. Please see the Bio Sci Degree Requirement Sheet for unique requirements for Bio majors other than general Bio Sci as a petition may be required.** Please keep in mind that health professional schools will require one year (3 quarters) of labs. Check with the schools you are applying to should you have questions or concerns regarding their admission requirements.

\*The same workshop will be given twice – **it is mandatory to attend one**. Additional workshops are NOT given at a later date. Details will be available on the Bio Sci Student Affairs web site, <https://www.bio.uci.edu/undergraduates/research/excellence-in-research/>, October, 2019.

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning Fall 2012, four (4) quarters of research on the same project is required in order to participate in the Excellence Program. No exceptions are allowed.