



FAU OURI College and Faculty Incentive Fund Pilot Program

The Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry (OURI) is pleased to offer the following College and Faculty Incentive programs for the Summer 2024 – Spring 2025 year.

- 1. The Faculty Incentive Fund for mentorship through DIR:** OURI offers \$500 in funding to faculty who mentor *FAU degree-seeking, lower classmen (freshmen and sophomores) and AA transfer junior undergraduates registered for Directed Independent Research (4915, 4916)*. Faculty are eligible for one, \$500 award per semester, pending availability of funds. The program will include faculty mentoring students through DIR during the Summer 24, Fall 24, Spring 25 terms.
- 2. FAU faculty new to OURI** who mentor degree-seeking Undergraduates in research through targeted OURI programs. Any College faculty who has not previously mentored an undergraduate through OURI programs will be eligible for up to \$500. Priority will be given to faculty who mentor *degree-seeking freshmen and sophomores and AA junior transfer students*.
- 3. RI Designation of courses:** \$2,500 to full-time faculty within colleges for developing and receiving the [Research Intensive \(RI\) designation for courses at the undergraduate level](#). Priority will be given to required (non-elective) courses, lower division (1000 or 2000 level), General Education courses, and those taught more than one semester per academic year, as well as faculty new to OURI. Funds will be disbursed in two installments: 1. Upon RI Designation approval by the faculty senate, and 2. once the course is taught as RI for the first time.

Departmental challenge for Undergraduate Research Certificate: Up to \$10,000 to the top 3 departments demonstrating the most improvements in percentage of undergraduate students to receive the University-wide [FAU - Undergraduate Research Certificate](#) annually (minimum of 10 students with the certificate). Efforts will be made to distribute fairly across colleges. The program will include students who receive the certificate during the following terms: Summer 2024 through Spring 25. Percentages will be calculated based on the number of degree-seeking undergraduates per department (taken after drop/add in the appropriate semester).