



HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY SPOTLIGHT

THE UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AND CREATIVE WORKS
FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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FEBRUARY!

In URCW, our mission is to bring together undergraduate students and faculty members for the purpose of creating unique and collaborative projects. By fostering an imaginative research experience, we hope to promote the development of new competencies, encourage critical thinking skills, and inspire students to add to the global sum of human knowledge. We'd love to connect with you through one of our numerous media outlets.

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Register Your Research!



Remember to register your research projects at www.highpoint.edu/urcw. The numbers above reflect what has been registered for each school.

Wondering where to find Undergraduate Research News?

Well, this is the best place for it. But you can also find Undergraduate Research News on the HPU Guides App, the best one-stop place for HPU updates. You can also follow all our social media accounts, listed on the front page!



Congrats to URCW Grant Recipients!

**Listed below are the grant recipients and their mentors, for
research, creative works, and travel!**

RECIPIENTS

MENTORS

PURPOSE

**JAZZMYN HOLDEN
PANAGIOTA PERDIKIS**

BRIANA FISER

**TO ATTEND THE
CONFERENCE FOR
UNDERGRADUATE
WOMEN IN PHYSICS**

**ELIZABETH
SCHROEDER**

LINDSAY HOWIE

**TO PERFORM WORK
CHOREOGRAPHED BY
PROFESSOR HOWIE AT
THE 2022 SOLO DUO
FESTIVAL**

JACALIN RITENOUR

TONY KEMERLY

**TO PRESENT AT THE
POPULAR CULTURE
ASSOCIATION AND
AMERICAN CULTURE
ASSOCIATION NATIONAL
CONFERENCE**

**SARAH DAHLBERG
MILLIE BOWMAN
JILL MONTELEONE
ZOE GANIS**

JIM GOODMAN

**FOR SUPPLIES TO
PRODUCE A VIDEO FOR
THE MEDIA PRODUCTION
CAPSTONE PROJECT**

Congrats to More URCW Grant Recipients!

**Listed below are the grant recipients and their mentors, for research,
creative works, and travel!**

**RACHAEL BADEAU
RACHAEL KOWIS**

**ANDREW
WOMMACK**

**TO PRESENT AT THE
SOUTHEAST CHAPTER OF
AMERICAN COLLEGE OF
SPORTS MEDICINE'S
ANNUAL MEETING**

**ZANE SOBEJANA
ANASTAZIA NOVEMBRE**

**JACKSON
SPARKS**

**TO PRESENT AT THE
AMERICAN
PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL
SOCIETY**

ALLISON TUCKER

AURIJIT SARKAR

**TO PRESENT AT THE
NATIONAL MEETING OF
THE AMERICAN
CHEMICAL SOCIETY**

**LUKE AKERS
OLIVIA ARMENDAREZ
CAITLYN BONTEMP
ZOE BROWN
ABIGAIL COPELAND,
JESSICA EMRICH
SADIE FLAG
SOPHIE GREGORY
JENNIFER HINAMAN
ASHLEY KING
ANDREW LAWRENCE
TRENT MACGOWAN
HANNAH PICKETT
ANGELINA PIERRE
ASHLEIGH PURVIS
EVAN SILVER
BRANDY-FEY
STRATTON
GRACE TODD
BRIANNA VIERING
ANNA WOHLWEND**

**MEGHAN
BLACKLEDGE
KEIR FOGARTY
PAMELA LUNDIN**

WHAT IS HIGH-PURCS?



High Point University undergraduate students from all majors minors are invited to participate in HPU's 10th Research and Creativity Symposium.

Students present their work as posters, oral presentations,

brief performances, or exhibits.

Projects are mentored, independent work that reflect originality and creativity and contribute something new to the field.



PROFESSIONALLY present your
UNDERGRADUATE work at our
STUDENT SHOWCASE

Submit your
abstract by
MARCH 14

High-PURCS
showcases the
professional work
done in **EVERY**
major!

SAVE THE DATE:
High-PURCS is on April 12

<https://www.highpoint.edu/highpurs/>

 HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PROFILE

A CONVERSATION WITH ABBY COPELAND '22



Senior Abby Copeland is graduating with a dual degree in biology with a concentration in health science and Spanish. When Abby Copeland first came to High Point, research "was the farthest thing from [her] mind." But as a Natural Science Fellow, she completed her year of research, and "fell in love with the lab." Currently, Abby is working with teams in the both organic chemistry and biochemistry departments on a surface chemistry project that is working to combat MRSA infections.

Abby presented her research in Birmingham after a year and a half of hard work. "I was really proud of our work before presenting," Abby said, "but after hearing praise and thoughtful questions from scientists that didn't know us, I knew we were doing something right." Their poster was recognized by the Surface and Colloid Division of the American Chemical Society. While she hasn't done summer research at High Point, Abby was able to hone her presentation skills by presenting at High-PURCS.

Abby's defines mentorship as "a relationship built upon trust and respect." In her time at HPU, Abby has worked with Dr. Lundin and Dr. Blackledge, both who have been very influential in her research experience. "They pushed me to be my own scientist. They trust my lab skills and my knowledge. They are there as a sounding board, a listening ear, and an advocate."

Abby's next steps are applying to dual degree programs to get a Master's in Public health and then go to PA School. "HPU helped me get here by providing the opportunities needed to grow not only in my laboratory skills and classroom knowledge, but in my confidence as well."

Know a student who has gone above and beyond in their research or creative works? Email urcw@highpoint.edu with suggestions for our next Student Achievement Profile!