Dear Colleagues,

The Oregon Humanities Center, the Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation, the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program and the Division of Undergraduate Studies are pleased to announce the creation of a new undergraduate research opportunity for students in the humanities. The Humanities Undergraduate Research Fellowship (HURF) program is an academic year research experience developed through funding from the Vice President for Research and Innovation in collaboration with the Oregon Humanities Center.

The HURF program will fund up to eight UO students to conduct research under the guidance of a faculty mentor for sixteen weeks during the winter and spring terms. Students will receive a $2,500 research stipend and faculty mentors will receive $500 in research funds for their vital mentorship role during the research project. The program is open to all full-time UO undergraduate students who have a proposal to conduct research in the humanities, have a minimum 3.5 GPA in humanities courses, and have a faculty mentor who will supervise their research project.

As part of the program, fellows will meet once per month during the sixteen-week research period to share their progress and engage in discussions on a variety of topics including responsible conduct of research, abstract writing, effectively communicating research, career development, and applying for graduate school and distinguished scholarships. The HURF program will culminate with fellows submitting a final paper, presenting their research as part of a panel presentation at the 2016 UO Undergraduate Symposium, and participating in an end-of-program celebration.

Applications for the program will be made available starting in July and will be due November 1, 2015. If you know an undergraduate student who would be a good fit for this program, please encourage them to visit the HURF website for more information.

Sincerely,

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