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Dear Colleagues:

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a chance to really relax and recharge over the holidays.

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> year the College of Sciences will provide funding on a competitive basis to departments to increase undergraduate research. [As I have previously written](#), I believe undergraduate research provides numerous benefits to our students. Please find attached the details about applying for the College of Sciences Undergraduate Research Program (COSURP). Only one proposal may be submitted from each department. The goal of this program is to increase the number of undergraduates who participate in research long term by providing funds to a department for something new. COSURP is *not* meant to support a specific research project for 1-2 students. This year we have increased the maximum amount of the award to \$15,000. Applications are due by April 12 and must be signed by the Undergraduate Program Director and Chair of the Department. If you have questions about this program, please contact me or Des Cook.

The college also has some funds to support undergraduate research on a project-by-project basis. These should be modest requests (for example helping to support an undergraduate to travel to a conference) and can be submitted directly to Josh Wallach. We will be most interested in supporting projects that have some support from the PI and/or the department.

In case you have not heard, each department now has a zero-credit research course with course number 197. If you are working with an undergraduate in research it would be good to get that student to register for this course so that we can track the number of students doing research, even if they are not doing it for credit. Questions about this can be directed to Josh Wallach.

Good luck with the start of the semester. Please help us to maintain the mask mandate by reminding students to wear masks inside any ODU building.

Best Regards,  
Gail

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