

Anthropology Undergraduate Research Grant (AURG)
Application

Application deadline: January 17, 2024

The Anthropology Undergraduate Research Grant (AURG) offers undergraduate students up to \$400 in support of anthropological research or creative projects under the guidance of a faculty sponsor. To be eligible, a student must be in good academic standing and either be in the ANT major/minor OR must be working under the guidance of an ANT faculty member. Examples of possible grant expenses would be funds to visit a museum to collect data, to purchase books or other material related to your research, or to attend a conference to give a presentation. These are simply examples and other possibilities are allowable, as long as the budget is well justified.

Recipients of an AURG must provide an accounting of how the grant was spent. This will include an expense report and a blog post, targeted at a general audience, about the project. The blog post will appear on the Anthropology Department's website and perhaps other UC Davis websites and must be submitted by June 30, 2024 (exceptions may be granted by the faculty sponsor if the research has not been completed by this date).

A complete application will include the following:

1. Proposal including the following information (not to exceed two single-spaced pages, 12pt font, 1 inch margins)
 - Basic information: Name, student ID, UC Davis email, expected graduation quarter, name of faculty sponsor
 - Description of the project: Briefly describe your project, including a title, background information, the approaches/methods you plan to use, and the time frame. Your description should include citations to the relevant literature. Citations may be included on an additional page.
 - Educational goals. Provide a short statement on how the project relates to your educational goals.
 - Statement of permissions. Include a brief statement on any permissions or permits required for your proposed research as well as the current status of your effort to obtain them. If no permissions or permits are required, please state this. Be sure to consult your faculty advisor on this subject.
 - Statement of current and pending support. Please indicate if you have been awarded funds from another source in support of your project or if you have any pending applications.
2. Budget and budget justification. Provide an itemized budget (e.g, costs for transportation, books, poster printing, museums fees, visual material, etc.) and, separately, a justification for each part of the budget. Keep in mind that award requests may not exceed \$400, and that the budget items must be clearly linked to the project.
3. One letter of support from a faculty sponsor: Request a brief letter of support (one page or less) from your faculty sponsor. Faculty sponsors should submit the letter to the Kelli Sholer (kmsholer@ucdavis.edu).

4. Other Documentation (optional). You may attach relevant documentation including letters of permission, permits, analytical forms, or other protocol documentation that you have obtained or developed in support of your research.

Review and awards

Proposals will be evaluated for academic rigor, feasibility, and potential for advancing the applicant's educational goals. Two awards will be made, one to sociocultural anthropology research and one to evolutionary anthropology research.

Post-grant reporting requirements

1. Expense report. Student will submit a detailed expense report of how the grant was spent.
2. Blog post. Student will write a blog post, targeted at a general audience, about the project. Length: 1000-1500 words, and will include photos or other graphics.
3. These documents will be due June 30, 2024 to your faculty sponsor and Kelli Sholer (kmsholer@ucdavis.edu).

Submission instructions

Please submit applications and reporting materials by email to Kelli Sholer, Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Anthropology (kmsholer@ucdavis.edu)