Undergraduate Research Symposium

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The annual UO Undergraduate Research Symposium celebrates the remarkable contributions undergraduates make to research, scholarship other creative work in a wide range of disciplines. Participation in the Undergraduate Research Symposium empowers undergraduates to share their ideas, discoveries, and artistic work with the campus and community. The event traditionally takes place in May in the EMU in the style of an academic conference and includes all types of academic research presentations--poster and oral presentations, art exhibits, film screenings, and theater, music and dance performances. The symposium is co-chaired by Kevin Hatfield and Nadia Singh, and aspires to engage undergraduates in the research mission of the University of Oregon by supporting the creation and dissemination of knowledge, while inspiring younger undergraduates to seek out research opportunities and removing barriers to interdisciplinary education and discourse. Since its debut in 2011 the Symposium has hosted over 3,200 students from all eight colleges, the Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact, and over 90 majors. The Symposium also partners with Lane Community College and Central Oregon Community College to involve community college students as presenters and visitors, as well as the Summer Academy to Inspire Learning (SAIL) to host high school students and teachers at the event. The Symposium YouTube Channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWIFRY6RyaXdnHW5kM78JMw/) curates over 800 research presentations and serves as a permanent digital exhibit of UO undergraduate research.