UROC-PREP and STAR are year-round undergraduate research and graduate preparation programs for underrepresented students interested in graduate education (Master’s or PhD)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

SPRING 2016: Students begin the program in the spring semester and enroll in a 3 unit reading and writing intensive course. All students must attend GRAD 492: Directed Research, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:00 am to 9:15 am (no exceptions).

SUMMER 2016: Students work with a UA faculty mentor on a small scale research project in their field of study; complete a written research report, research poster, and oral presentation; are paid a $4,000 summer research stipend; complete GRE preparation and testing; have their abstract published in the UROC Abstract Review and more. For the summer, a full-time commitment to all activities is expected of all students (no exceptions).

FALL 2016: Students are registered for a 1 unit graduate school preparation course, complete and submit applications to graduate school. For fall, all students must attend GRAD 496A: The Graduate School Application Process, Fridays, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm (no exceptions).

UROC-PREP and STAR ELIGIBILITY

- These programs are open to students of all disciplines, including social science, humanities, fine arts, and STEM.
- You must be interested in pursuing a graduate degree (Master’s or PhD).
- You must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0+.
- You must be a continuing UA junior or senior:
  - With a graduation date of December 2016 or May 2017
  - AND planning to apply to graduate school in fall 2016.
- The programs are for students who come from backgrounds that are underrepresented in graduate education. In your online UROC application, you will be asked to explain how the group to which you belong is considered underrepresented in graduate education.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- The UROC on-line application is at: www.grad.arizona.edu/UROC
- The application deadline for UROC-PREP and STAR is 5:00 pm, November 15, 2015

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