Call for Papers

The University of Florida’s Journal of Undergraduate Research calls for submissions for its upcoming publication year. Faculty-mentored research papers and theses from all disciplines will be considered for its general-topic issues. Papers should be received no later than May 1 for consideration during the following academic year. The University Scholars Program may have a different deadline.

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Submission Requirements

Eligibility

Any undergraduate student at the University of Florida may submit a paper to JUR. To be eligible for publication, the research must be faculty mentored.

Types of Papers

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Length

Papers should be between 1500 and 4000 words, including references. There is no limit on the number of figures and tables in a paper, though their placement and quality must conform to JUR’s format.

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Submission and Review Process
1. Review the Submission Checklist.
2. Complete the JUR Authors’ Submission Form.
3. Submit papers by e-mail attachment to JUR@writing.ufl.edu. The file format should be MSWord (.doc) or Rich Text Format (.rtf).
4. Mentors submit the Submission Approval Form, identifying the paper and attesting to the quality and integrity of the work.
5. The receipt of papers will be confirmed by e-mail after the receipt of the JUR Submission Form, the paper, and the Submission Approval Form.
6. Over the course of the following year, each paper will be reviewed by at least two scholars in the field and, if selected, scheduled for publication in one of the three issues. If a paper is selected contingent upon revisions, the author may be asked to submit a revised version of the work. For this reason, it is important that authors provide up-to-date contact information.