



# Undergraduate Research Fellowships



## Overview

Undergraduate Research Fellowships provide a research experience for undergraduate students and assist staff in the Division in conducting research projects in support of student success. There were five research projects and five fellows in spring 2022.



## Spring 2022 Projects

Asset mapping for accessible and disability resources; understanding students' legal needs and awareness of services; evaluation of housing policies by student identities; student perspectives on campus gender-based violence prevention and intervention methods; and student experiences of the room change process



## Fellow Learning

Fellows indicated that as a result of this experience they felt more confident in conducting research in their field, learned qualitative and quantitative research methods, and felt more confident in presenting their research to a broader audience.



## Fellow Quote

"I learned how to conduct qualitative and quantitative data, as well as how to analyze data and identify future implications."



## Mentor Learning

Mentors appreciated the opportunity to provide students with a high-impact experience and to work with a student on a project that improves the student experience.



## Mentor Quote

"This was an amazing opportunity to work with a passionate undergraduate student on a research question we were interested in exploring. They brought great ideas and perspectives to the project and provided tangible next steps to improve the student experience."



Next Steps

We will encourage staff in the Division to host year-long fellowships starting in the fall in order to give fellows adequate time to complete complex research projects. More centralized training on how to conduct research is essential for fellows to be successful. In fall 2022, the Division of Student Life will provide professional development opportunities to help fellows build research skills in collaboration with opportunities provided by ICRU.