Undergraduate Scholars

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HEDCO INSTITUTE UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

$12,000 STIPEND
APPLICATIONS DUE NOV. 14
Meet Our Team!

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What is the HEDCO Institute?

Dedicated to strengthening connections between research and practice in K-12 education

The HEDCO Institute for Evidence-Based Educational Practice aims to impact future generations by supporting today's educators.

Using the latest tools and methods to conduct rigorous evidence syntheses that meet the rapid decision-making needs of education leaders, we translate the findings from existing research on the most pressing issues into digestible summaries and practical guides. We provide education leaders with up-to-date, trustworthy information to support the implementation of evidence-based practices aimed at promoting healthy students and schools.
What is the Undergraduate Scholars Program?

The HEDCO Institute Undergraduate Scholars Program is a multidisciplinary program designed to support future generations of educators, education researchers, and outreach and communication specialists. Our program will provide students with rigorous training in research synthesis, effective evidence translation, and/or fostering research-practice partnerships with the ultimate goal of increasing the use of evidence-based practices in K-12 education.
Goal: Learn Our Approach!
Engage, Review, and Mobilize

Engage
Identify current needs and priorities of K-12 education stakeholders

Review
Summarize the available research on selected topics

Mobilize
Translate research into accessible products that are meaningful to K-12 stakeholders
Your stipend covers working with us for a whole year!
Flexible Format: Remote, On-Campus, or Hybrid!
You Receive Close Faculty Mentorship!
Examples of what we’ll work on together...
...and the unique career paths you can forge!
If this is you, we’d love for you to apply!

- UO sophomores, juniors, or seniors*
  - *Seniors must graduate on or after December 2023
- All majors are welcome!
- Preferred (but not required) GPA: 3.2+
- No research experience is required
- We strongly encourage underrepresented and nontraditional students to apply!
I’m in! How do I apply?

• Complete the online application
  • https://hedcoinstitute.uoregon.edu/undergrad

• Submit an unofficial copy of your transcript
  • hedcoinstitute@uoregon.edu

• Submit a letter of recommendation from a faculty member
  • hedcoinstitute@uoregon.edu
What’s in the online application?

- Select a Specialty Area
- Explain Specialty Area Interest (200 words maximum)
- Describe Relevant Experience (300 words maximum)
- Provide Candidate's Statement (500 words maximum)
- Letter of Recommendation Writer
- Referral Source
- Additional Information
Timeline

- **Application Open**: September 6th
- **Application Due**: November 14th
- **Scholars Selected**: November 28th
- **Start Program**: January 9th, 2023
Comments/Questions?

We’d love to hear from you!

• A little about yourself (name, major, career goals)
• What interested you in our program and attending today?
• Which focus area(s) interest you?
• What questions do you have about the application?
Thank you for attending:
Please do reach out at any time!

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Email:
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Questions Asked During the Information Session

Can scholars participate “in person” during the academic year and online during the summer?

• Yes! While the hours per week each term are set, students can choose the format each term that works best for them.

What is the expected size of this year’s cohort?

• We expect 2-4 scholars for the 2023 cohort.
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Are we working on the Institute’s or our own projects?

• Scholars will be involved in Institute projects, though scholars can receive mentorship on their own work.

How is the Undergraduate Scholars Program funded?

• Generous support for this program comes from UO Alums/Donors Amy and Ross Kari.
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What activities do you anticipate for the outreach specialty?

• Activities could include: facilitating engagement with the advisory board, brainstorming other stakeholder engagement opportunities, determining future Institute priorities, helping with our communications and social media strategy, and preparing for conferences.