

## Honors College Summer Research Scholarship Agreement 2026

Please read the following section carefully. Your abiding by these regulations will facilitate receipt of the scholarship.

### Eligibility

1. To apply for this scholarship, you must be a member of the UNT Honors College in good standing, as of January 15, 2026
2. You may not anticipate graduating prior to May of 2027

### Summer Research Expectations

3. Receipt of an Honors College Summer Research Scholarship requires a minimum of 20 hours of work per week from May 18th - July 24th 2026. The faculty mentor, in collaboration with you, will determine specific work hours, tasks, and work products (beyond those detailed below).
4. If you receive an Honors College Summer Research Scholarship, you must enroll in a mentored research course during the ten-week summer session May 18th - July 24th 2026. Those include HNRS 3996 or a departmental equivalent for 3 credit hours.
5. With a summer research scholarship, you may conduct either on-site or remote research in accord with the wishes of your research mentor.
6. If your research mentor requires that you complete all or part of your research hours on campus, you must secure prior mentor approval for any anticipated periods of absence. You should submit documentation, within the application form, of approval of absence from on-campus research for the affected dates, and a schedule for making up missed hours.
7. If you receive an Honors College Summer Research Scholarship, you must submit (in the Honors College Canvas course) a professor-approved 150-200-word, single-spaced description of your summer research, and of its outcomes-to-date, **by June 1st at 5:00pm**. You will submit this assignment via an email to [catrina.watson@unt.edu](mailto:catrina.watson@unt.edu) by the stated deadline. These summaries should provide a *generalist overview* with a reasonable understanding of, and appreciation for, your research and contributions.
8. If you receive an Honors College Summer Research Scholarship, you must submit (in the Honors College Canvas course) a mentor-approved research poster or paper by **July 1st at 5:00pm**. You will submit this assignment via an email to [catrina.watson@unt.edu](mailto:catrina.watson@unt.edu) by the stated deadline. If you do not submit a research paper or poster by the stated deadline, you will not earn Honors credit for your summer research and will not be able to count your summer research hours toward an Honors College graduation recognition.
9. Since you will not graduate prior to May 2027 you must present your research at UNT's Scholars Day in spring 2027, with the expectation that you submit posters and papers in compliance with criteria for the 2027 Scholars Day exhibition. The Honors College will provide poster templates to facilitate the creation of work appropriate for Scholars Day presentation.

## Scholarship Distribution

10. The \$4000 scholarship will arrive in installments. Each installment is contingent upon satisfactory progress as assessed by the mentor
11. If your mentor is in a position to pay you for research, you must report that advantage to the Honors College, so that an appropriate adjustment in your Honors College Summer Scholarship may come under consideration.

## Withdrawal

12. **If you choose to withdraw from the program, you are responsible for withdrawing from the research course by the “drop” deadline. Any monetary balance accrued will be your responsibility to pay. You may also receive a grade of “F” if you leave the program without taking the initiative of dropping the course.**
13. During the inclusive dates of the scholarship, you may not take advantage of U.S.- based or international family travel plans, or other commitments falling short of either personal illness or unexpected family-member illness or bereavement. Shorter excursions will be at the discretion of the research mentor.
14. Out of consideration to intellectual property rights, you must ask your professor either to grant or deny permission to have a poster displayed in the Student Union or on an Honors College website
15. By accepting this award, you agree to abide by the policies, rules, and regulations governing UNT. You authorize UNT to verify the information you have provided and utilize the information, including data from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), as needed to assist with applicable program administration. You further understand that recipient information may be provided to donor(s) and/or UNT department(s) funding any award received, released to high schools, and that notice of this award may be publicized in university materials. You authorize UNT to share as needed all required and requested information with applicable selection committee(s), including members of organizations or foundations overseeing donor interests (i.e. foundations, trust administrators, etc.). If you are working on externally funded sponsored projects, funding and selection processes are mandated/overseen by the sponsor/PI, and your participation with related reporting requirements is expected. Finally, you understand that the submission of false information is grounds for rejection and/or withdrawal of any offer extended. Please note that this award information will be sent to Student Financial Aid & Scholarships (SFAS) so that it may be coordinated with your other awards received for the current (2025-2026) award period. Once posted to your student account, receipt of late awards may cause other scholarships (awarded by UNT or outside agencies) and other resources (federal, state and institutional financial aid) to be adjusted if you exceed the current cost of attendance at UNT, or exceed your “need” for assistance as calculated by the FAFSA. As always, your myUNT student account is your resource for viewing your student award information.

**Your receiving this scholarship will be contingent upon review of all your application materials and upon your uploading a signed PDF of this document as part of the application process.**

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Date

I \_\_\_\_\_ agree to the above rules and regulations  
Please print your full name

**Failure to comply with any part of this agreement will result in withdrawal of the scholarship.**

Date:

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Signature:

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UNT ID:

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UNT Email Address:

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Please enter only your UNT email address. We will correspond strictly via UNT email addresses.