

UNIVERSITY Call for applications: of Prince Edward 2025 UPEI Engineering Undergraduate Research) Awards (EURA)

The UPEI EURA program complements and broadens the NSERC USRA program and is intended for students interested in performing research during the summer of 2025. The program will support:

- 1) international students (who are not NSERC USRA eligible), and/or
- 2) supervisors who are submitting a project that is not in an NSERC-eligible discipline.

Requirements, expectations, and adjudication processes are virtually identical to the NSERC USRA program.

Recipients of EURAs will be paid an hourly rate as UPEI employees. The UPEI award amount is \$6000, and supervisors will be required to provide a top-up amount to ensure compliance with UPEI student pay rates based on 14 to 16 weeks of full-time employment (37.5 hours/week). The expectation regarding the duration of the award (14, 15, or 16 weeks) should be discussed between the supervisor and student before applying. Awards may not be deferred.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must have completed at least 1 full year (10 courses) in a Bachelor's degree program in the UPEI Faculty of Sustainable Design Engineering by May 2025 and be registered in this program at the time
- Applicants must have achieved a minimum cumulative 80% average (cGPA 3.7) in their undergraduate studies.
- Applicants must not intend to begin a graduate program in the summer of 2025.
- Applicants must be available to work 14 to 16 consecutive weeks (with no holiday time) in the summer of 2025.
- Applicants must have confirmed a faculty member supervisor with a primary appointment in the UPEI Faculty of Sustainable Design Engineering.
- Students and supervisors are limited to one EURA application in 2025.
- Students cannot apply for both NSERC USRA and EURA.

Students will be required to submit a brief report, highlighting the project's progress and outputs, upon completion of the award term.

Application Package:

- 1. Application Form Part 1 (to be completed by the student) and Application Form Part 2 (to be completed by the supervisor) – these forms can be found here: https://www.upei.ca/research/undergraduate-research- opportunities
- 2. Letter of Interest (to be completed by the student) a one-page letter (excluding references) with the following information:
- Research project: demonstrate an understanding of the research project;
- Experience: describe previous research or relevant experience;
- Expected outcomes: describe the potential impact of the project as well as expected outcomes including but not limited to research paper, presentation at scientific events, reports and posters;
- Career objectives: describe how a EURA would further the applicant's career and professional objectives.
- 3. All undergraduate transcripts (including other universities if applicable) transcripts can be unofficial.

Submit the application package to the Office of Research Services by email to researchservices@upei.ca. These documents must be received by February 21, 2025, 4:00pm. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

An **information session** regarding undergraduate student research awards will be held on Friday, **January** 24, 2025, from 2:00 to 3:00pm in Kelley Building room 210. Students and supervisors are encouraged to attend.

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