**Summer Undergraduate Research Experience**

**Important Dates**

**2025 Schedule of Activities**

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| **ACTIVITIES** | **DATE/TIME/LOCATION** |
| **Week 1: June 2- June 6** | |
| **First day of SURE**  Check in with your mentor to start planning and working. | **June 2** |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **June 4** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **First SURE lunch**  ***Required attendance for all students and mentors***Update your group: what is your project and what are your plans for SURE? | **June 5,** 12:00-1:30 pm  LaRose Student Commons 200 |
| **SURE Research Grant** requests due (you will get an email about grants from the director) | **June 6**, 5:00 pm |
| **Week 2: June 9- June 13** | |
| **Research Tools Workshop** (Ellen Cline)  Research can be overwhelming, but it doesn’t happen in a vacuum. Join Belk Library as we explore tools, methods, and software to make the work of research faster, more efficient, and – dare we say – easier. This workshop will cover advanced searching in subject-specific databases, citation managers such as Zotero, AI tools, and more. Any questions or issues can be directed to Ellen Cline at ecline5@elon.edu. | **June 10,** 4:00-5:00pm  Belk Library 113 |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **June 11,** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **Lunch and Learn: Embracing Identities: Exploring Intersectionality at Elon** (Simone Royal)  This workshop delves into the concept of intersectionality, and how the layers of identity contribute to how individuals experience or interpret bias. Participants will gain insights into the intersections of race, gender, sexuality, and more, while fostering a deeper understanding of identity-based bias. | **June 12,** 12:00-1:00pm  Belk Pavilion 208 |
| **Week 3: June 16-June 20** | |
| [**Center for Engaged Learning Conference**](https://www.centerforengagedlearning.org/conferences/2023-conference-on-engaged-learning/) - The annual conference showcases cutting-edge research on engaged learning. | **June 16 & 17**  Moseley and Lakeside |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **June 18,** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **Meet NIFO: How the National and International Fellowships Office Can Support You** (Dr. Ann Cahill and Nicole Galante)  Learn about how applying for fellowships such as the Fulbright and Goldwater Scholarships can improve your writing and interview skills, clarify your educational and professional goals, and open up remarkable opportunities. | **June 19,** 12:00-1:00pm  Zoom: <https://elon.zoom.us/j/93332247325?pwd=xdMVlSRmJAEtb5vnaYzqjCSctNbVow.1>  Meeting ID: 933 3224 7325  Passcode: 306106 |
| **Week 4: June 23- June 27** | |
| **LinkedIn Workshop** (Lasse Palomaki)  With +900 million members worldwide, LinkedIn is a powerful tool to assist with your professional goals. During our time, we will enhance your own profiles to ensure research, leadership and much more is properly outlined. We will also provide tips on networking and engaging with professionals in your field of interest, helping students to increase their chances of connecting with potential employers or mentors. | **June 23,** 4:00-5:00pm  SPDC Classroom (Moseley 140) |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **June 25,** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **Data Visualization for SURE Posters** (Jennie Goforth)  As you gather data and prepare to present your research, charts, graphs, and other data visualizations are key to communicating your ideas. But they can also be tricky to get just right! Join Belk Library for a workshop that will help you:   * Brainstorm what visualizations might help your audience understand your research * Decide what visualizations will work best for your data * Format your visualizations to be beautiful and effective * Learn about different tools you might use to create data visualizations | **June 24,** 4:00-5:00pm  Belk Library 113 |
| **Second SURE lunch – Mid-Point Check-In** and  ***Required attendance for all students and mentors***Update your group on your progress so far (e.g., challenges and successes, planned outcomes). | **June 26**, 12:00-1:30 pm  LaRose Student Commons 200 |
| **Week 5: June 31- July 4** | |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **July 2,** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **Week 6: July 7- July 11** | |
| **Preparing Your SURE Poster** (Dr. Julia Bleakney)  Get started on your SURE poster in this hands-on workshop. Learn basic design principles and how to write concisely and organize content on a poster, then spend time working on your poster and discussing content and layout options with peers. You are welcome to attend the “Finalizing your SURE poster” on July 14 to finish up and get feedback. | **July 7,** 4:00-5:00pm  Belk Library 113 |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **July 9,** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **What Comes After SURE for My Research? Navigating the World of Academic Publishing** (Jesse Akman and Ellen Cline)  Now that SURE is coming to an end, you might be thinking about what else you can do with your research. This lunch & learn workshop will cover the ins and outs of scholarly publishing: how to find the right venue for your research, how the article submission process works, the realities of peer review, knowing your rights as an author, measuring your research impact, and beyond. We will conclude with a panel discussion with faculty members about their experiences and advice for navigating the publishing process. | **July 10,** 12:00-1:30 pm  Belk Library 113 |
| **Week 7: July 14-July 18** | |
| **Finalizing Your SURE Poster** (Dr. Julia Bleakney)  Finalize your SURE poster in this hands-on workshop. Review basic design and layout principles, identify what to revise on your poster, and get feedback from a peer and from the Writing Center director. You will also practice your opening verbal explanation of your poster. | **July 14,** 4:00-5:00pm  Belk Library 113 |
| **Writing Bootcamp**  *Every Wednesday of SURE*  You are welcome to come for the whole time or just for a while. Snacks are available, and a Writing Center consultant will be on hand for quick questions. | **July 16,** 12:00-3:00pm  Belk Library 108.1 |
| **Week 8: July 21- July 25** | |
| **Submit SURE Posters through Print Services** | **July 21,** by 12:00 pm |
| **Professional Writing for Graduate Schools** (Dr. Julia Bleakney & Collier Lumpkin)  Start to craft your personal statement or statement of purpose for graduate school applications. In this session, we will review suggestions for content to include in your statements or essays as well as options for how to structure your narrative in a compelling way. We’ll also attend to the dos and don’ts of using AI to assist with your graduate school applications. You will have time to discuss your ideas with presenters and peers. | **July 22,** 4:00-5:00pm  Belk Library 113 |
| **Professional Writing for Industry** (Laurie Judge)  How do you not only document the experience that you’ve had this summer, but tell an impactful story about your research in a tightly formatted resume or CV? During this session we will review ways to successfully communicate your SURE experience on your resume or CV. This session will include time to draft an updated version of your resume or CV. | **July 22,** 4:00-5:00pm  SPDC Classroom (Moseley 140) |
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| **Final SURE Poster Presentations**  ***Required attendance for all students and mentors*** Students will present at one of two consecutive poster sessions. | **July 24**, 9:00 am – 12:00pm  Snow Atrium in Schar |
| **Final SURE lunch**  ***Required attendance for all students and mentors*** | **July 24**, 12:00-1:30 pm  LaRose Student Commons 200 |