



## 2018 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) Awardees

1. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Seth Fallik, College for Design and Social Inquiry

Student fellow: Alexandria Remillard

Project: Legal Analysis of Victim-Suspect Relationships in Sexual Assaults

2. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Tricia Meredith, College of Education

Student Fellow: Lindsey Hammond

Project: Exploring the diversity of the elasmobranch olfactory organ

3. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Michael Whitehurst, College of Education

Student Fellow: Michael Correa

Project: The effect of resistance exercise on growth factor signaling and physical and memory performance

in older adults with MCI

4. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Mike Kim, College of Engineering and Computer Science

Student Fellow: Scott Shirley

Project: Understanding Catalytic Activity of Polymers for CO2-NaCl-H2O Interactions

5. Faculty Mentor: Dr. James VanZwieten

Student Fellow: Remy Komocsin

Project: Measurement Based Characterization of Open Ocean Turbulence for Ocean Current Energy

**Applications** 

6. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Peng Yi, College of Engineering and Computer Science

Student Fellow: Vithulan Suthakaran

Project: Developing a Biologically Based Artificial Leaf to Filter and Transform Carbon Dioxide Emissions into

Oxygen via Photosynthesis

7. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Nicholas Baima, Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College

Student Fellow: Courtney Olive

Project: Plato and Aristotle on Mental Disorders and Wrongdoing

8. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Carmen Canete-Quesada, Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College

Student Fellow: Paulina Oporto-Cespedes

Project: Translating in Dominican: Julia Alvarez's Autobiography Something to Declare (1998)

9. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Jacqueline Fewkes, Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College

Student Fellow: Sara Czoka

Project: American Mosques and Mobile Communities: Co-Locating Physical and Virtual Sites of Muslim

Community

10. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Ceylan Isgor, Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine

Student Fellow: Autumn Pough

Project: Modifications in sleep architecture as predictors of vulnerability to death during epileptic seizures



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11. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Elan Barenholtz, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Stephen Hoover

Project: Machine Olfaction Using Deep Learning Artificial Neural Networks

12. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Mare Cudic, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Mary Minore

Project: Synthesis of glycosylated amino acids bearing tumor-associated carbohydrate antigen

13. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Evelyn Frazier, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Gillian Hebert

Project: Social behaviors in Gopher Tortoises at the FAU Preserve

14. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Tanja Godenschwege, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Brandon Lajeunesse

Project: Characterization of genes involved in spongiform degeneration

15. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Stephen Kajiura, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Jordan Waldron

Project: Seasonal abundance and spatial distribution of blacktip sharks in Southeast Florida

16. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Alex Keene, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Estelle Laure Sah Pamboro

Project: Regulation of sleep by dietary fatty acids in the fruit fly

17. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Salvatore Lepore, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Gurtejpal Ghuman

Project: Synthesis of fluorinated vitisinol D analogs as potential neuroprotective agents

18. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Sarah Milton, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Kaitlin Grell

Project: Evaluating Beach Morphodynamics on Sea Turtle Nest Inundation

19. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Marianne Porter, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Hannah Herbst

Project: Keeling it: morphology and mechanics of caudal keels in sharks

20. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Lyndon West, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Shakia Williams

Project: Biosynthetic Route to Briarane Natural Products

21. Faculty Mentor: Dr. Ilyas Yildirim, Charles E. Schmidt College of Science

Student Fellow: Marina Nad

Project: Physicochemical properties of microRNA- roles of 3' and 5'-ends in RNA complex including silencing

complex (RISC)