

MCLA URC: Call for Papers

The 18th annual Undergraduate Research Conference will take place **April 23, 2020** on the MCLA campus. The Undergraduate Research Council is soliciting 150-word abstracts for presentations: papers, posters, creative writing, visual artwork, and performance. Here is the submission link:

<https://nextgensso.com/sp/startSSO.ping?PartnerIdpId=http://sts.mcla.edu/adfs/services/trust&TargetResource=https://dynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com/Submit/Form/Start/c198f6f2-5a7a-4f4d-9c58-2cb8d66bcf58>

Student Abstract Deadline: March 13th, 2020

This year, we have changed the format for abstract submission to encourage faculty involvement. The students will submit their abstracts by **March 13th at 5pm** using Dynamic Forms, and they will be sent to the faculty sponsors for review and approval. Faculty sponsors will have until **March 23rd at 5pm** to submit the approved abstracts to the conference planning committee through Dynamic Forms.

Students who wish to participate should consult with their faculty advisor before submitting an abstract.

Presentation guidelines: paper and creative writing presentations will be limited to 20 minutes. Time limits on performances will be set once we know how many submissions we receive. Posters will be available during the poster session. Visual artwork will remain on display throughout the duration of the conference. Special session presentations will be of variable length depending on number of papers in that session.

Eligible presenters should consider submitting an application for the **MCLA Scholar** designation (http://www.mcla.edu/Academics/undergraduateresearch/MCLA_Scholar) by April 1st, and the **Pamela Dennis Scholarship** by the end of March (Contact the Financial Aid office for more information).

MCLA MiniGrants provide support to students conducting independent, faculty-mentored research, creative, and scholarly work. Students can apply for up to \$300 individually or \$600 in groups to support the purchase of materials/supplies, participation in conferences, etc. (<https://www.mcla.edu/Academics/undergraduateresearch/studentgrants>). Applications are due by March 13th.

Any questions should be directed towards Dr. Jenna Sciuto, chair of undergraduate research, or Dr. Anna Jaysane-Darr, associate chair of undergraduate research.