

Economics Undergraduate Research Opportunities

The Economics Undergraduate Research Opportunities (EURO) program empowers undergraduate students to embark on research journeys, fostering a deeper understanding of economic principles while honing their analytical skills. Through EURO, students undertake research projects under faculty mentorship, gaining hands-on experience in crafting scholarly inquiries, and developing critical thinking and analytical skills beyond the confines of traditional coursework. EURO provides financial support to undergraduate students for research projects and for participation in academic conferences. Priority will be given to projects where the student is an author, rather than a research assistant, and to students majoring or minoring in economics. EURO does not provide stipends when research is for course credit (though conference support may still be available).

Funding: Up to \$1,000 stipend per student for research projects. (This sum is based on 100 hours at \$10 per hour. During semester, the typical pattern is 10 hours per week for 10 weeks. During the summer break, students can work more than 10 hours a week. Payment will be issued in a lump sum.) Travel or other funding is available, with a maximum of \$1,000 per student. For projects involving more than one student, each student seeking funding must submit a separate application. All funding is subject to availability.

Deadlines: Jan 1 (for Spring), Apr 1 (for Summer), Aug 1 (for Fall).¹ Applications after the deadline may be considered but receive lower priority.

To apply for funding, students must:

- Submit the application form.
- Submit a one-page description of the project and expected outcomes.
- Arrange for an economics faculty to submit a confidential written recommendation.
- Indicate the academic event at which they will present their work, e.g., [VSB Research Day](#), [Villanova Student Research Symposium](#), [MEA](#) or [EEA Annual Meetings \(Undergraduate Sessions\)](#). See here for more [undergrad presentation opportunities](#).

Application and recommendation letter should be sent separately via email to catherine.costello@villanova.edu with the subject “EURO Application” and “EURO Recommendation,” respectively.

¹ By 5 PM EST. When the date falls on a weekend, the deadline is 5 PM EST on the next weekday.