

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Research Award

About the Award

The HPEB Outstanding Student Undergraduate Research Award is presented to an outstanding undergraduate student who has participated in research activities under the direction of or in collaboration with a faculty member in the Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior. Eligible candidates must be Juniors or Seniors and be presenting work at Discover USC. Students are nominated for this award by faculty in HPEB. Students selected for this award are based on their participation in public health research, including assisting with research projects, conducting independent research, or communicating research findings in presentations or publications.

Award Criteria

- Engaged in meaningful research to improve public health
- Demonstrate a commitment to the field of health promotion, education, and behavior
- Demonstrated track record of professionalism (e.g., showing up on time, working effectively with community members) when conducting research
- Evidence of intellectual curiosity and independence (e.g., seeking research funding, presenting findings at conferences)

Procedure for Nominating an Undergraduate Student

Faculty nominating a student should complete the attached nomination form. Please submit the nomination to Dr. Brie Turner-McGrievy (brie@sc.edu), Chair of the HPEB Scholarship and Award Committee by March 31.

This nomination should include:

- Letter of application;
- Student name and degree being received;
- Evaluation of the nominee's overall academic performance and professionalism;
- A description of their research experience and commitment to public health;
- Short discussion of the nominee's distinguishing personal characteristics (these may include leadership skills, communication skills, or service activities);
- An example of nominee's research (e.g., abstract, poster presentation);
- CV/resume;
- An unofficial academic transcript.

Selection Process

All application materials should be submitted as **one** PDF file. The award will be presented at Discover UofSC.

Selection Committee Members

The HPEB Scholarship and Awards Committee will select the winner of the award.

March 31st

Nomination Deadline

If you have questions concerning eligibility, procedures, or criteria for selection, please contact Dr. Brie Turner-McGrievy (brie@sc.edu).



Nomination Form

HPEB Outstanding Undergraduate Student Research Award **Deadline: March 31st**

Nominee: _____

Degree being received: BA BS Expected Graduation Date: _____

Name of degree (department): _____

Address (mailing): _____

Phone (home): _____ (work): _____

E-mail: _____

Nominated by: _____

Phone (home): _____ (work): _____

Please provide a statement of the qualifications of the nominee (in a separate letter of nomination). Please note that this statement should address both the evaluation of the nominee's overall academic performance and professionalism as well as a description of their commitment to research in the field of health promotion, education, and behavior. Please include a description of the student's research experience and how they contributed to a research project or conducted an independent research project. Also include a short discussion of the nominee's distinguishing personal characteristics; these may be leadership skills, communication skills, or service to fellow students, the HPEB department, the Arnold School of Public Health, or the community at large.

The letter of nomination must be typed and submitted with the completed nomination form via email to Dr. Brie Turner-McGrievy (brie@sc.edu), Chair of the HPEB Scholarship and Awards Committee, by March 31.