Woodruff Library Undergraduate Research Award
Faculty/Instructor Letter of Support Cover Sheet

Faculty/Instructor Name: ___________________________ Date: ______________

Department: ____________________________________________

Student Name: __________________________________________

Please indicate on a signed, attached sheet your comments regarding how this student’s work meets the prize criteria. The panel is especially interested in your assessment of the originality and depth of this work, and the level of self-sufficiency demonstrated by this student in pursuing research.

***Deadline for this letter of support is Monday, February 29, 2016 by 5:00pm.

***Please note: A faculty member may nominate up to three students for this award.

Prize Criteria

- Sophistication, originality and/or unusual depth or breadth in the use of library collections, including, but not limited to, printed resources, databases, primary resources, and materials in all media;

- Exceptional ability to locate, select, evaluate, and synthesize library resources and to use them in the creation of a project that shows originality and/or has the potential to lead to original research in the future; and

- Evidence of significant personal learning and the development of a habit of research and inquiry that shows the likelihood of persisting in the future.

In judging the prize, the primary focus will be on the evidence of the student’s research strategy, process, and personal learning, which will be summarized in the research essay. Consideration of the product of research, while significant, will be secondary. The expectations for achievement will be judged in relationship to the applicant’s class year and the requirements of the discipline.

You may give a signed letter of support to your student to submit with his/her application, or you may mail it directly to Jennifer Elder at the address below. If necessary to meet the deadline, you may also e-mail a copy of your support letter to researchaward@listserv.emory.edu.

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For more information, you can email researchaward@listserv.emory.edu or peruse our webpage at http://web.library.emory.edu/research-learning/award-research-programs/undergraduate-research-award.html

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Signature