RISE@WIU

Research Inspiring Student Excellence

ACADEMIC SUCCESS  RESEARCH  PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A program of the WIU College of Arts and Sciences that provides students with unique research and academic experiences to help them become tomorrow’s leaders.

What are the benefits of RISE?

• Recognition by your Department and the College of Arts and Sciences.
• Special RISE scholarships and grants opportunities.
• Preparation for graduate and professional schools.
• Networking opportunities for jobs.

What do I need to do to be part of RISE?

• a 2.8 minimum GPA.
• Work with a faculty member on a research project.
• Present your research at a local, regional, national, or international meeting.
• Attend department seminars and RISE meetings.

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18 NEW Scholarships and Awards!

Purple and Gold Awards
For RISE@WIU students that completed benchmarks of the RISE program

Summer Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
$3000 summer scholarships

Professional Conference Travel Awards
$900 to travel to a conference

Research Experience Awards
$350 to support your research project

Diversity Awards
Award for Hispanic and African American Students
$350 to support your research project

WIU Bridge to Graduate School Awards
$350 to cover application fees and cost of GRE exams
Important Deadlines this Semester

Feb 13^{th} – CAS Undergraduate Research Grants.
Feb 23^{rd} – Abstract deadline for Illinois Academic of Sciences Meeting.

March 23^{rd} – Abstract deadline Biology and Physics Symposium
March 25^{th} – RISE Awards Deadline

April 1^{st} – Physics Research Day
April 3^{rd} – Biology Student Research Symposium
April 10^{th} – Illinois Academic of Sciences Meeting
April 13^{th}– Chemistry Research Symposium
April 15^{th} – Thomas E. Helm Undergraduate Research Day
April 24^{th} – Deadline for RISE@WIU Purple and Gold Awards
Professional Development
Spring 2015 School of Graduate Studies Seminar Series
University Union from 4:00-5:00pm

• Wednesday, February 11 - Lincoln Room - Considering & Surviving Graduate School
• Wednesday, February 18 - Lincoln Room - Financing Graduate School
• Wednesday, February 25 - Cardinal/Oak Room - Graduate School Resumes, Personal Goals Statement, and Recommendation Letters

Career Development Center

• Tuesday, February 10th at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2nd Floor Library Computer Lab

• Wednesday, February 18th at Noon - Interviewing Preparation- Memorial Hall 124

• Tuesday, March 3rd at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2nd Floor Library Computer Lab

• Wednesday, March 11th at 2 pm- Dressing on a Budget- Goodwill Industries

• Wednesday, April 1st at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2nd Floor Library Computer Lab

• Tuesday, April 7th at Noon- Managing Your Personal Finances- Memorial Hall 124

• Wednesday, April 15th at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2nd Floor Library Computer Lab