

## 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.

**BIOLOGY**

**CHEMISTRY**

**PHYSICS**



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**RISE@WIU**

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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

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## **Important Deadlines this Semester**

- Feb 13<sup>th</sup> – CAS Undergraduate Research Grants.  
Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> – Abstract deadline for Illinois Academic  
of Sciences Meeting.
- March 23<sup>th</sup> – Abstract deadline Biology and Physics  
Symposium  
March 25<sup>th</sup> – **RISE Awards Deadline**
- April 1<sup>rd</sup> – Physics Research Day  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Biology Student Research Symposium  
April 10<sup>th</sup> – Illinois Academic of Sciences Meeting  
April 13<sup>th</sup> – Chemistry Research Symposium  
April 15<sup>th</sup> – Thomas E. Helm Undergraduate  
Research Day  
April 24<sup>th</sup> – **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 10<sup>th</sup> at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Library Computer Lab
- Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon - Interviewing Preparation- Memorial Hall 124
- Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Library Computer Lab
- Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm- Dressing on a Budget- Goodwill Industries
- Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Library Computer Lab
- Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at Noon- Managing Your Personal Finances- Memorial Hall 124
- Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at Noon- Get LINKED: Using LinkedIn for your Job Search- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Library Computer Lab