The Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Award (JCURA) was instituted in 2009-10 as the Undergraduate Research Scholarship Program by the Vice-President Academic and Provost. It is designed to provide support for exceptional undergraduate students to obtain a direct research experience as part of a truly formative learning experience.

Awards in the amount of $1,500 each are available for undergraduate students to: undertake research under the mentorship and guidance of a faculty member; present their research at the yearly JCURA Research Fair; and have the opportunity to publish results in UVic’s peer-reviewed online journal – the Arbutus Review.

Application Procedure

**Application Deadline: August 30, 2015**

The Department of Biochemistry and Microbiology is eligible to receive two Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Awards for students undertaking a research project within the department.

Each successful student receives $1,500 credited directly to their UVic fee account.

**Who is eligible to apply?**

Eligible students include all full-time 3rd and 4th year undergraduate students undertaking a research project in the department. Normally students must be registered in 12 or more units of study in the 2015/16 winter session and be in excellent academic standing (normally a minimum sessional gpa of 7.0 in the last academic year, May 2014-April 2015).

**Application Process**

Eligible students are required to complete the BCMB internal application form (below) and submit it to Deb Penner Biochemistry and Microbiology general office, Petch 207 by the departmental deadline of **August 30, 2015**.

Following departmental review, 2 students will be selected for the awards and will be sent the relevant nomination forms to complete
To be completed by the Student Applicant

Student Name: ___________________________ Student ID #: V00

Email: ________________________________

Faculty supervisor’s name: ________________________________

1. What motivates you to undertake a research project? (250 words)

2. What research experience have you had? (250 words)

3. What are your career aspirations? (250 words)