

UNCG Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creativity Office
Undergraduate Research and Creativity Awards
Summer 2026

Student	Faculty Mentor	Department	Project Title
Aisha Abdu	Carrie Rosario	Public Health Education	Entrepreneurial Identity & Neighborhood Attachment: A Qualitative Study of Hookah and Vape Lounge Owners
Titi Adeniyi	Yingcheng Sun	Computer Science	Eligibility-Aware Generative Retrieval for Patient -Trial Matching
Eleanor (Elle) Burnette	Elena Karpova	Consumer, Apparel, and Retail Studies	Examining the Promotion and Framing of Sustainable Fashion Consumption in Digital Spaces
Caitlyn Costello	Nicholas Oberlies	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Large-scale Production of Perylenequinones (Hypocrellins and Hypomyces) from the fungus, <i>Shiraia</i> sp.
Renee Ejindu	Jonathan Chekan	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Enzymatic Labeling of Tyrosine and Tryptophan in Peptides
Daijah Elliott	Andrea Lewis	Public Health Education	Mentorship Experiences of Black Women Physician Assistants with Doctoral Degrees: From Data Analysis to Manuscript Preparation
Lauren Gottlieb	Richard Hronek	Languages, Literatures, and Cultures	Voices From Before the Wall: An Oral History of Flight and Memory
Maura Grout & Elena Redman	Marielis Garcia	School of Dance	Sift in Barcelona

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Summer Hunter	Daniel Rabinovich	Nanoscience	New Bismuth Compounds with Potential Biomedical Applications
Hayden Jenicek	Gabriela Quinlan	Biology	Assessing the Impact of Mitigation on Pollinator Community Composition in a North Carolina Wetland
Sophia Lau	Nick Ader	Biology	Developing a fluorescent reporter of nucleocytoplasmic integrity during meiosis
Jhase Lynear	Nicholas Oberlies	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Laboratory Cultivation and Scale-up of Verticillin Producing Fungal Strains
Ximena Mazur-Azucey & Deloris Baah	Kaira Wagoner	Biology	Expansion, Maintenance, and Improvement of UNCG Pollinator Habitats
Johnny Monroe	Paula Damasceno	Media Studies	Familial Trauma and Archive Theories Towards Innovative Film Form
Madison Powell	Akira Terui	Biology	Aquatic Biodiversity in Constructed Wetlands: Are They Nurseries for Native or Non-native Species?

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Thomas Ramos	Catherine Denning-Jannace	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Synthesis of Ruthenium Complexes to Inhibit Biofilm Formation of <i>Candida albicans</i>
Zanyha Smalls	Catherine Denning-Jannace	Chemistry and Biochemistry	Elucidating the Effects of Transition Metals on the Susceptibility and Morphology of <i>Candida auris</i> .
Remus Steward & Aziz Manneh	Tara Webb	School of Theatre	Cultivating Curiosity: Creative and Ecological Research in Pollinator Gardens
Eva Ward	Nick Ader	Biology	Investigating the role of Vps4 in ESCRT-mediated membrane remodeling
Riley Williams & Zaniyya Hardnett	Robin Gee	School of Dance	Frames of Grace: Research in Pedagogy, Repertory and Film within a Site Responsive Italian Environment