## WHAT IS THE OSRC?

The Office for Student Research & Creativity is here to assist, support, and guide you through the exciting steps of getting started with your research and creative works. Or, if you are already engaged in a fascinating research/creative project working with faculty, we can help you explore your funding support options and future opportunities.

Regularly check our webpage for updates on events and explore our updated postings on research scholarships. If you have specific questions, please schedule an individual advisement session with me (see contact on back page). Whether you are an incoming undergraduate student with no research experience, a graduate student searching for a faculty mentor or a transfer student wanting to connect with the community-your research/creative experience will be an invaluable asset for your academic and professional career and we are here to help.





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### HERE ARE OUR THREE MAJOR OBJECTIVES



# FOSTERING EARLY ENGAGEMENT OF UNDERGRADUATE AND UNDERREPRESENTED STUDENTS IN RESEARCH:

Do not underestimate the power of the inquiry and the life-long benefits of conducting research/ creative works early in your college career. And, remember-ANYONE CAN DO RESEARCH! In fact, we all conduct research every day. How? By asking vital questions, engaging in systematic processes to find truths, and sharing our findings with those around us. The critical thinking skills you acquire through the research or creative process will help you thrive in any classroom or work environment.

RESEARCH CONNECTS AND IS CONNECTED TO EVERYTHING:

Policy, scholarship, public service, journalism, to name a few, all rely on the information derived from rigorous research. Without the information garnered through research, learning and decisionmaking are impossible.

So what are you waiting for? Whether you would like to get started with research or creative work, finding the right faculty mentor, have trouble finding your place in the JJC community, or need to know more about the workshops we offer, you can schedule a meeting with me: osrc@jjay.cuny.edu





### **DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE RESEARCH MENTORSHI**



Research shows that long term mentoring relationships with faculty and/or participation in research labs improves students' academic adjustment, retention, and **ACADEMIC SUCCESS**; develops their team work and leadership skills; hones their communication, writing, and presentation skills; and is overall associated with a wide range of favorable behavioral, health-related, motivational, and career outcomes. It is also a **LIFE-ALTERING EXPERIENCE** that is **FUN, ENGAGING**, and **CHALLENGING!** 

Visit: www.jjay.cuny.edu/osrc-research-scholarship-programs or pick up the scholarship brochure from my office (HH, 204.01) to learn more about the OSRC scholarship application process. Every year OSRC accepts 15 faculty mentored students into a year-long scholarship program and guides them through the process.

I am honored to have been selected as an OSRC scholarship recipient. It was wonderful to know that the OSRC believed in my research project, and pushed me so that I could make the most out of my research experience."

Priya Reji '19, Forensic Psychology



### **BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH OPPORTUNITIES**

True to the New York spirit, John Jay proudly has the most diverse student body among CUNY's senior colleges, representing 130+ NATIONALITIES and with 42% OF STUDENTS WHO ARE FIRST IN THEIR FAMILY TO ATTEND COLLEGE. We understand that finding new friends and creating community can be a challenge in such a new and distinct environment. Our research and creative community is vast, robust, and vibrant. We will connect you to cohorts and labs, inform you of cross campus trainings, and invite you to workshops and seminars relevant to your research/creative work. We also help you network beyond the John Jay College setting, in order to maximize your chances of finding just the right internship or volunteer placement and prepare you for your academic and professional future.

Learn about the annual Research & Creativity Expo www.jjay.cuny.edu/research-creativity-events which convenes more than ten academic departments and programs to proudly showcase over 460 student presentations every year.

### **GET INTO THE TEAM SPIRIT AND JOIN US!**

