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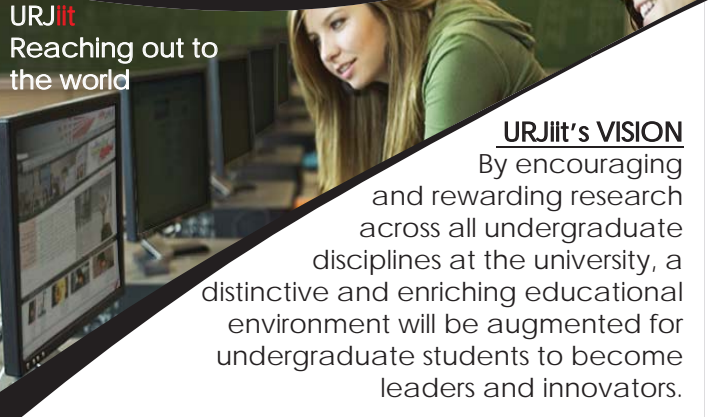**LEADERS**
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THE FUTURE OF URJiit

URJiit
Reaching out to the world

URJiit's VISION

By encouraging and rewarding research across all undergraduate disciplines at the university, a distinctive and enriching educational environment will be augmented for undergraduate students to become leaders and innovators.

THE VALUE OF THE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research is an important outlet for students to enhance their undergraduate education.
By adding the potential for publication to this experience, students will learn and thoroughly understand how the research process works. By writing a paper and going through the peer review process, undergraduate students will be preparing themselves for graduate school and their career.

INTERESTED? GET INVOLVED !

The key to the success of this journal will be the manner in which it is run and maintained. We have therefore created a student organization to ensure its continuation. This organization will be the core to the journal. If you are interested in being a part of the organization, please apply at the following location: www.urjiit.org/apply

STUDENT ORGANIZATION

We have designed an organizational structure that will enable the journal to sustain itself. This organization will serve as a suite of under-graduate research tools, whereby students can find research positions, learn about the research experience, and publish their work.

GET PUBLISHED!

We hope that URJiit will display creative and innovative project by students at IIT. If you are interest in seeing your work in URJiit please follow the steps below:
1) Login to MyIIT
2) Navigate to the Academics tab
   (or to the Teaching tab for faculty)
3) Click the ResearchWeb button in the Academic Affairs Student System box near the bottom of the page
4) Return to the URJiit website and follow the instruction in the submission tab.

submissions page

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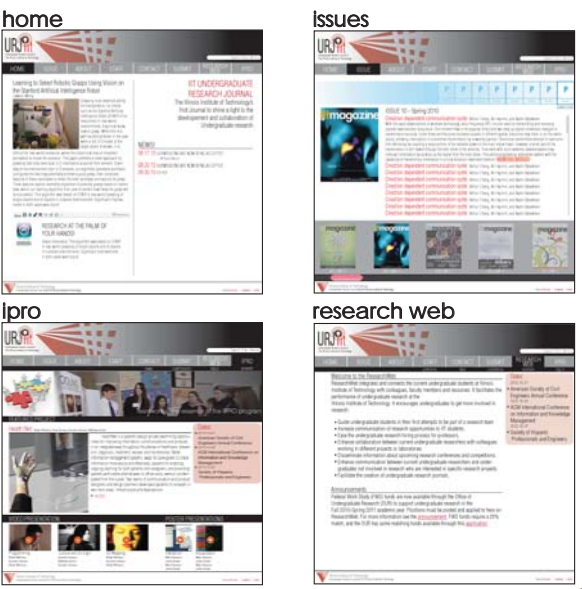IPRO 321: ESTABLISHING AN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH JOURNAL

JOURNAL DESIGN AND EDITORIAL BOARD

We have established an organizational structure for the editorial board, as well as an extensive peer review processing involving editors, graduate students, and faculty members. We have outlined standards to be used for both submission and peer review. We have also designed layouts for the cover of the hard copy journal and the articles.

cover

article

PROGRAMMING THE JOURNAL

We have implemented a fully functional website that has allowed us to create a suite of research tools. From this website, students are able to learn about the undergraduate research experience through research web, get their questions about research answered, apply for research positions, browse undergraduate publications, and submit their own research papers.

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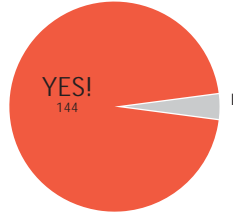issues

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PROBLEM

There is no source for students at IIT to showcase their work. Most of the students are una ware of the research oppurtunities that occur at IIT. The development of URJiit will allow for students to come together and investigate new possibilities. Yielding projects and information not only helpful to the institutions but for the greater good.

HOW WILL URJiit BENEFIT IIT UNDERGRADUATES?
▶ Preparing for Graduate School
▶ Developing skills for their profession
▶ Scientific work experience
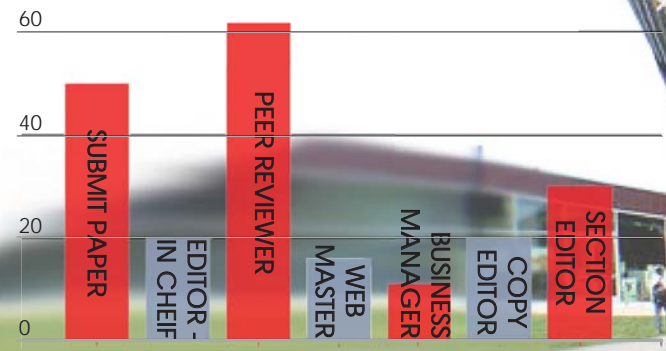▶ Developing awareness
▶ Learning from previous experiences

> I could not imagine not having participated in the research because I gained so much knowledge and experience that I will be able to use for the rest of my life."
> -Anil Vasireddi

STUDENT INTEREST

YES!
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no
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Students at IIT said they would be interested in reading URJiit?

The survey below shows students at IITs interest in URJiit becoming a student organization ?

SUBMIT PAPER	
EDITOR - IN CHIEF	
PEER REVIEWER	
WEB MASTER	
BUSINESS MANAGER	
COPY EDITOR	
SECTION EDITOR	

GARNERING SUPPORT FROM IIT

Throughout the semester, we have been contacting IIT administrators, students, deans, faculty, and staff members in order to garner their support and receive their suggestions for how we should proceed with our project. In the second half of the semester, we hosted an event that brought together all the stakeholders in order to have an open discussion of the project.

Additionally, we surveyed IIT undergraduates to determine whether they would be interested in reading and/or participating in the journal.

Stakeholder Event