Financial Support
ARC Scholars are funded as part of their summer research experiences via summer stipend, housing accommodations (current UCSB students will receive a housing stipend in lieu of housing accommodations), and roundtrip transportation accommodations.

Professional and Academic Development
ARC Scholars broaden their professional and academic experiences through workshops, Graduate Record Examination (GRE) training, and presentations to peers, staff, and academics.

Mentorship
ARC Scholars are matched individually with UCSB faculty and graduate student mentors who provide training and support fitted to the individual interests and academic goals of the scholar.

Research Experiences
ARC Scholars have an opportunity to engage in summer research experience as a fully funded scholar. Scholars are provided with an excellent opportunity to explore their discipline, experience research, and improve their opportunities for future study in their chosen field.

ACADEMIC RESEARCH CONSORTIUM (ARC)

OUR MISSION
The Academic Research Consortium (ARC) Summer Program provides mentored research experiences in all disciplines to undergraduates at the junior level or continuing seniors with the potential to succeed in graduate study, but who have experienced situations or conditions that have adversely impacted their advancement in their field of study. The program targets talented and motivated students who can benefit from additional encouragement and academic support.
Once chosen as an **ARC Scholar**, the student embarks upon a 7-week summer program of research and graduate school preparation guided by UC Santa Barbara’s Graduate Division staff, faculty, and graduate student mentors.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- U.S. citizens or permanent residents
- AB540 students are eligible to apply
- Priority consideration:
  - Groups underrepresented in higher education
  - Students from economically/educationally disadvantaged backgrounds
  - First generation to attend college
  - Non-traditional students
  - Individuals who have faced life challenges
- Completion of at least the junior year by June 2018
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0

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