

**RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM – TUESDAY, OCT. 1, 5:30PM
AUGUSTUS B TURNBULL, CONFERENCE CENTER
Student Body President Evan Steinberg**

Hello and good evening, I'm Evan Steinberg and I have the honor of serving as Student Body President of Florida State University. It is my honor to represent the 42,000 students at our preeminent institution, especially those who are here today to showcase their groundbreaking research.

Our undergraduate students have the unique ability to live up to our values, portraying Vires, Artes, and Mores; Strength, Skill, and Character. They will showcase their research and creative skills and there is no better place, to be illuminated by knowledge, than at the President's Showcase of Undergraduate Research and Excellence. As the showcase begins, take a time to explore new disciplines, converse with faculty with faculty & students alike, and to reflect on the research presented that will shape our society in the future.

Our Student Government Association is commitment to developing a successful academic environment through our commitment to Student Academic Programs and the Student Council for Undergraduate Research and Creativity. We are commitment to the importance of undergraduate research, as FSU continues to cultivate the next generation of leaders and scholars in our society through innovation and excellence.

As Student Body President, my experiences with undergraduate research through the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program UROP, sponsored by the Center for Undergraduate Research and Academic Engagement is a vital part to my academic experience. Research truly opens to door for students to learn and grow, to change the world, and to formulate vital connections with Faculty.

Thank you to those that are here for continually supporting our student researchers, and student success at Florida State University. This event wouldn't be possible without of course the commitment of our students to strive for excellence and preeminence through research but also due to the commitment of the Office of the President, President Thrasher, and the dedication of the staff, alumni, and faculty who operate and support the Center for Undergraduate Research and Academic Engagement by recognizing the importance of undergraduate research including Latika Young and Dean Karen Laughlin. Please give all of them an around of applause. Thank you for your time.