



# MOLLOY UNIVERSITY

Multidisciplinary  
Undergraduate  
Research Conference



# The First Annual Molloy Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference (MURC)



# The making of the first **Molloy Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference**

The Molloy MURC:

- Result of NSF IUSE (Improving Undergraduate STEM Education) Track 1 Engaged Student Learning - first submission feedback
- Started a Faculty Learning Circle focused on Undergraduate Research
- FLC-UR's first initiative was to start the conference
- Enlisted the help of the Library
- Created subgroups to the committee headed by Madeline Craig and Brian Reed





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*A special thank you to Tabitha Ochtera, Associate Librarian*



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## Recap

- 108 attendees
- Presentations from the School of Arts and Sciences, the Barbara H. Hagan School of Nursing and Health Sciences, and the School of Education and Human Services
- 16 committee members

## Highlights

- Digital Record of Conference
- Survey Results
- Goals for the 2025 MURC
  - Expand to all schools at the University
  - Add a student representative to the committee

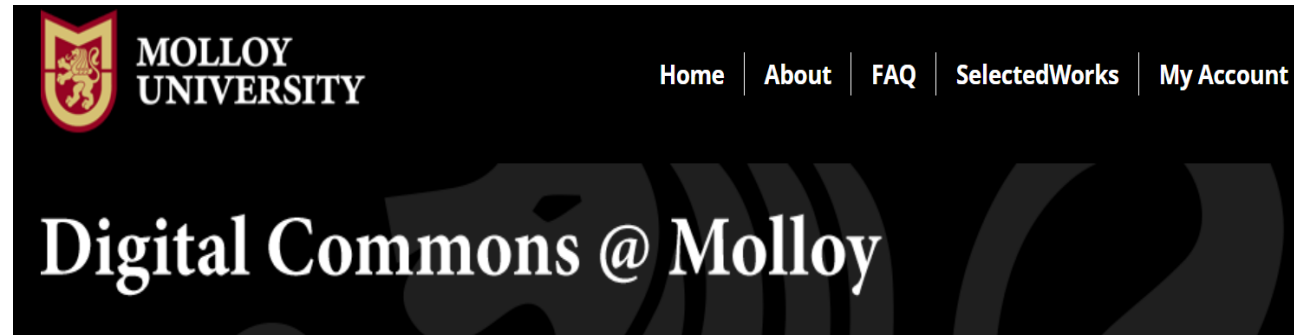






# Digital Commons was utilized

Link to the conference: <https://digitalcommons.molloy.edu/murc/2024/>



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# MURN Newsletter



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The First Annual Molloy Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research Conference, or Molloy MURC as the planning committee have come to affectionately call the event, was held on April 26, 2024. It was the first Undergraduate Research Conference for Molloy, but we have high hopes that there are many more MURCs in our future.

Written by Melissa Gebbia on behalf of the MURC Committee - Madeline Craig, Hia Datta, Jennifer Elliott, Kimberly Johnson, Katherine Kim, Hyokyeong Lee, Li Li, Michael Marino, Tabitha Ochtera, Ann Marie Paraszczuk, Howard Ponzer, Brian Reed, Erin Reilly, Maureen Sanz, Liz Suter, Jamie Vitrano





# MURN Student Testimonial

Audrey Michlig

(she/her/hers)

Honors History / Art History 25'

Chair, Honors Advisory Council

"The Molloy Undergraduate Research Conference was an experience that I am extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to participate in. Prior to the conference, I never had the space to present original research as an undergraduate student, and prior to coming into my last year at Molloy it was an invaluable experience to prepare me for future academic endeavors in such a warm and embracing environment fostering academic excellence through research."

# Molloy MURC 2025

- The event will be held on the last day of classes in the Spring Semester:

**April 28, 2025, in Hagan 239 from 5-8 pm**

- There will be an Open Information Session for MURC 2025 on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 4:15-5:00 PM, featuring three student researchers who presented at MURC last Spring: Audrey Michlig, Anna Nugent, and Ashley Beaujuin.
- The call for submissions will come out this week; Submission Deadline is Saturday, March 1
  - Student Researchers need to submit a Title suiting their research topic and a short abstract describing their research findings, along with the name of their Faculty Mentor(s)
  - How to submit: <https://digitalcommons.molloy.edu/murc/2025/>

