

# Hmmm... How can I find a thesis project?

Start with a broad interest (art history, chemistry, sustainability) and explore the paths below. Take good notes and create a list of faculty members that may align with your interests.

## Research Centers

Research centers and institutes at OSU

College specific research pages:

- Agricultural Sciences**
- Business**
- CEOAS**
- Education**
- Engineering**
- Forestry**
- Health**
- Liberal Arts**
- Pharmacy**
- Science**
- Veterinary Medicine**

## Past Theses

Reviewing past Honors College theses in your area of interest can help you brainstorm ideas and add potential mentors to your list who have previously worked with HC students.

- **Past Theses Directory**
- Physical Copies - LInC 450
- Online - **ScholarsArchive**

## URSA

**Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and the Arts (URSA)** helps students connect with research opportunities and possible mentors. Their website provides tips on **engaging in research, email etiquette, and drop in hours.**

Additionally, the program **Engage** is open to first year, second year and transfer students in their first year getting started in research.

## Word of Mouth

Talk with your advisors and peers about their research connections:

- Has a friend or classmate had a professor they like in your area of interest?
- Do they know about research on that topic?
- Do they have an interest or insight you didn't consider?
- Can they refer you to someone who might have more information?

## Research Showcases

Find ways to network with researchers:

- **RSVP for upcoming faculty research showcases**
- Go to the **Honors College Thesis Fair** or the **HC Undergraduate Research Showcases**
- Review slideshows from **past faculty research showcases**
- Attend the **Spring Poster Symposium (SPS)**

## Faculty Connections

Which OSU faculty members are doing research in your field?

- Utilize your professors' office hours to ask about their research
- Find projects on the **HC research opportunities page**
- View the latest **Oregon State news and campus events** for inspiration
- Don't forget to check the **HC Monday Message** for new opportunities