

# Undergraduate Research Opportunities via Google

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This issue represents the beginning of AJUR's third year of activity. To the extent that research paper submissions to this journal measure the health of the undergraduate research endeavor, undergraduate research is thriving in many parts of the world. But the field, of course, is not level.

The following list is the result of a simple and quick test. The text strings "undergraduate research" + "[country]" were entered into a Google web search [<http://www.google.com/>]. The number of resulting "hits" is given below.

Needles to say, this is not a good scientific measure: all country names were in their English forms, the search assumed English text, and the search results surely included some hits that are not necessarily measures of undergraduate research activity in a country [e.g., an Oregon State University "undergraduate research" program in "Honduras" tells us more about Oregon State than it does about Honduras]. But, these simple results are surely a partial measure of research opportunities for undergraduates in those countries.

Country	Google "Hits"
United States	191,000
Canada	25,200
United Kingdom	23,500
Germany	16,400
Japan	16,200
France	14,800
China	14,300
Mexico	12,500
Australia	12,400
India	9,940
Italy	9,900
Spain	8,480

Russia	7,110
Brazil	5,850
Korea	5,760
Switzerland	5,440
South Africa	5,100
New Zealand	5,020
Sweden	4,830
Turkey	4,690
Egypt	3,870
Denmark	3,470
Chile	3,380
Argentina	3,110
Norway	2,790
Nigeria	2,020
Pakistan	2,000
Ecuador	1,980
Indonesia	1,950
Portugal	1,920
Bolivia	724
Honduras	686
Cambodia	569
Ethiopia	537
Slovenia	488
Tunisia	470
Mongolia	430
Slovakia	419
Sudan	419
Cameroon	359
Guyana	225

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