

Carnegie Mellon University

Information Systems

The Gino S. Mancuso Memorial Research Enhancement Awards

The Information Systems Program is honored to have the opportunity to award several Information Systems undergraduate major students each year with The Gino S. Mancuso Memorial Research Enhancement Award, generously funded in memory of Gino S. Mancuso by his family.

The goal of the award is to facilitate exploration and research of critical issues in Information Systems (IS) in order for students to develop knowledge, analytic skills, and problem solving capabilities. Current IS majors may apply for a grant of up to \$500 for an individual proposal or \$1000 for a group proposal. Proposals will be considered in one of two categories:

1. Travel to an IS, or IS related, professional conference
2. Implementation of an extracurricular IS, or IS related, research idea or service project

The grants are given as cash awards for expenditures related to your proposed activities only, and will not affect your financial aid. The program will fund up to two proposals per academic year.

Am I Eligible?

You are eligible if you are:

- An Information Systems undergraduate major
- Enrolled during the semester of your grant for Fall or Spring awards, or the semester following your grant for Summer Awards
- In good academic standing (not on probation or suspension) and not on leave of absence

How Can I Apply?

Your application is your chance to tell us about your proposed project, why it's significant, and how you plan to spend the award. Your finished application will include:

- A written proposal (3 pages maximum) including objectives, research plan, timeline and/or other relevant narrative
- A budget
- Resume of each person submitting the proposal
- Name (and contact information) of a faculty member for a reference

When Should I Apply?

The deadline to apply for the Spring 2024 semester is **February 23, 2024**.

Email your application materials to isinfo@andrew.cmu.edu.

Project Completion and Reporting

Upon completion of the project you are required to share how your experience has contributed to your ability to excel academically and the positive impact it has had on you and/or the community at large. There are various opportunities within the Information Systems program that allow for your post project reporting which you will discuss with the Information Systems faculty and/or your advisor post your project completion.

Presentation at Meeting of the Minds: May 1, 2024

All Mancuso awardees are invited to present at Carnegie Mellon's Undergraduate Research Symposium, which takes place annually on reading day in early May. This year's Meeting of the Minds will be held on May 1, 2024. Registration will be available soon to participate in Meeting of the Minds and to enroll for the Johnson & Johnson Undergraduate Research Awards competition at Meeting of the Minds. Visit the Undergraduate Research Office (URO) [website](#) to register and for additional information.