

Tips to Get Involved in Research:

Talk to your professors:

Ask your professors if they are conducting any research and inquire about the details. If you are interested in their work, ask if they could use any help or have any positions open. Even if they don't currently need any help or their research is not something you are interested in or qualified for, it never hurts to let people know that you are looking to get involved.

Ask around:

Ask upperclassmen, classmates, and friends with research experience (especially in a similar major or field) how they originally got involved. Strike up conversations with different people on campus whenever you get the opportunity.

Find out what research is being conducted on campus:

Search the UMaine website for research projects that interest you. There are various research pages found under office, college, and major web pages. Search using keywords, professors, or institutes related to your research topics of interest. Don't be afraid to reach out to professors and groups involved in research to get more information about opportunities.

Look around job boards:

There are many job boards associated with different UMaine colleges and majors where jobs, internships, and positions related to research may be posted. It can be very helpful to be aware of relevant job boards and periodically check them for opportunities.

Check your emails:

Various campus offices and colleges send out regular emails with information about educational and work opportunities for students, so if you are looking for a way to get involved in research, check those emails for potential job openings.

Contact campus offices:

There are several campus offices which have resources and information that can help you get started with research such as the Center for Undergraduate Research (CUGR), the Career Center, and the Office of Research.