

# SOURCE ROADMAP

## Pre-SOURCE Events

Attend OUR events to get information and hands-on experience on how to prepare for SOURCE.

## Choose a Topic

Think of a research topic, hypothesis, theme, style, etc. to start your project. This can start with conversations with your mentor.

## Find a Mentor

Find a CWU faculty/staff member with interest or experience in your field to mentor your project. Start establishing your professional network.

## Develop a Project

Work with your faculty mentor to develop a project from your research topic, hypothesis, theme, style, ideas. Progress student-mentor relationship. (Networking success guide )

## Resources

Use all the resources available to you as a CWU student to complete your project.

## SOURCE Abstract

Submit your project to SOURCE with a brief abstract or artist statement outlining your project. Discuss this with your mentor!

## Presentation Prep

Create your poster or presentation slides. Start preparing for presenting at SOURCE.

## SOURCE– 3rd week of May

Attend SOURCE. Present your project to your peers and community. Attend follow-up events.

## Post-SOURCE Benefits

Continue building the professional relationships you've made. Take advantage of the academic and professional career benefits from this experience and your connections.

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- SOURCE Kickstart | Fall Quarter
- How to SOURCE | Winter Quarter
- OUR Office Hours | Barge Hall 305

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- What are you interested in learning more about?
- What inspires you?
- What are you good at?
- What are you thinking about doing post-graduation?

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- Talk with your advisor
- Find previous mentors
- Take advantage of office hours.
- Strategically choose electives

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- Where to start
  - Scientific method, creative inspiration
- Background, method, results, conclusion
- Artistic process, trial & error, versions of your piece(s)

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- Your mentor is your best resource!
- Library & Learning Commons
- OUR (Grants & events)
- Multimodal Education Center
- [www.cwu.edu/source](http://www.cwu.edu/source)

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- No more than 250 words
- **Be aware of the abstract submission deadline!**

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- Print your poster at least one week prior
  - Multimodal, your Department
- Upload your presentation slides
- Practice presenting
- Anticipate questions about your project & prepare responses

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- Engage with presentations by asking questions.
- Get inspiration for research or creative activities!
- **SOURCE Awards Ceremony**

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- Resume Builder– Scholastic & creative activity
- Networking experience
  - Professional references
  - Recommendation letters
- Increased opportunities–Publication

# **SOURCE** Checklist

- Attend “SOURCE Kickstart” in the Fall.
- Choose a topic or theme & formulate a research question/hypothesis or concept plan.
- Identify a faculty mentor. Connect with professionals in your interest field and start building your network.
- Take advantage of all the resources available to you as a CWU student.
  - Library, Learning Commons, OUR, other faculty & peers, and more!
- Work on grant applications for your project.
  - Submit applications before their deadline.
- Attend “How to SOURCE” in the Winter.
- Work with your mentor to develop your project.
- Create an abstract or artist statement for your project with your mentor.
- Submit your SOURCE project & abstract before the deadline.
- Create your SOURCE poster or presentation slides.
- Print your poster at least a week before SOURCE and submit your presentation slides beforehand.
- Prepare for your SOURCE presentation. Practice presenting your project & prepare for possible questions about your project.
- Present at SOURCE! Show off your hard work & engage with other presenters about theirs.
- Attend Post-SOURCE events to prepare for your future.
- Consider and prepare for opportunities such as publication, other conferences, graduate school, field experiences, etc.

