**Discovery of Scholarship Courses**
In Discovery courses, students are introduced to scholarship as the process of creating knowledge, both as a general concept, and as done at Mason by students and faculty. They also learn about OSCAR and opportunities for undergraduates to participate. Discovery of Scholarship is foundational, learned in introductory courses in a major and general education courses.

**Scholarly Inquiry Courses**
In Scholarly Inquiry courses, students learn about the recursive process of scholarly inquiry either through studying previous scholarship or as preparation for participating in an original project. Learning content and skills, students become capable of evaluating scholarly work, preparing them to conduct their own project. A scholarly inquiry class may be a research methods course in a discipline or one that uses guided-inquiry learning to explore a topic.
Research and Scholarship intensive (RS)

RS courses are designed around an authentic research or creative project in the context of the course. These courses provide a unique opportunity for faculty to merge their teaching and scholarship. RS courses are upper-division courses identified on the student’s transcript as a unique educational experience.

Requirements:
The course must provide opportunities for students to:
» articulate a scholarly question
» engage in key elements of the scholarly process
» situate the project within a broader context
» contribute to the creation of an original scholarly or creative project
» communicate knowledge from the project beyond the classroom.

How to get a course designated:
There will be a fall and a spring deadline to submit an application to OSCAR to designate a course.

OSCAR offers Scholarship Development Grants to support undergraduate research and creative projects through course, curriculum, and project design.