Howdy!

Happy Thanksgiving! Please note that Texas A&M University and the LAUNCH office will be closed starting at 11 AM Wednesday, November 22nd. We will reopen as usual the morning of Monday, November 27th. Here are your URS updates and reminders for the week:

1. **LAUNCH: UGR is grading your 1st Installments, Progress Reports and also checking on Research Compliance Verification.**
   Keep an eye on your inboxes for assignment approvals. Let us know if you have any questions or concerns about the 1st Installment or research compliance verification process!

2. **Registration for LAUNCH: UGR's first URS Symposium (Feb. 28) is OPEN!**
   Our self-selected timeslots are first-come, first-served. Register before January 31st at noon: https://tamu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b26rHiGZfugedYV
   Be sure to talk to your faculty advisor about which presentation type (oral or poster) is appropriate for your project!

3. **Please take our entry survey by December 1st.**
   This entry survey helps us make the URS program better each year, and the good news is that it only takes a few minutes to fill out! Please take the survey by December 1st and help us improve this program for future scholars: https://tamu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bgcLLSydB3rUjgp.

4. **Submit your work to Explorations!**
   *Explorations: the Texas A&M Undergraduate Journal* is accepting submissions for Volume 10 until January 23, 2018 at noon! This is a great opportunity to put your work out there and become a published author. For more information, visit http://launch.tamu.edu/UGR/Explorations/Submissions or email explorations@tamu.edu.

Thanks & Gig ‘Em,

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