

Research the research of a researcher!

An integral part of being a Dean's Scholar is research and the discovery of new knowledge. Many of you may find that you will want to engage in research with a faculty sometime in your 4 years here at UT Austin. A great initial way to go about uncovering your research passions is through <http://www.utexas.edu/research/eureka/>. However, another way to do this is to look at the past research that faculty members have been a part of. For me, talking to past students in the lab and reading papers published recently by lab members was how I found the lab that I call my second home.

So here's a quick way to pique your interest in a faculty member's research. Walk around one of the science buildings and look for giant posters describing a project that was done by a member of the lab. Be sure to check out MBB, Welch, Painter, BIO, PAT, and RLM. Give it a quick skim, and take note of what the project is about and report back on it. Just 2-3 paragraphs will be enough. Include the name of the principal investigator of the lab, a brief description of what the research is about, and what the lab specializes in. If it's a topic that happens to interest you, feel free to continue to pursue it! Happy researching!