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**OUR News and Events**

*OUR Blog:*
- Congratulations to our Summer 2013 SURF recipients.
- SURF alumnus Reed Turchi is making his mark in the music industry.

*GRC Blog:*
- Read about undergraduate research in Geography in Helene Ducros’s blog post.
- GRC Michael Schuster discusses undergraduate research in a Mathematics First Year Seminar.

*Other Events and News:*
- Check out undergraduate Coertney Scoggin’s research on PTSD and the military.
- Learn more about 2012 SURF recipient Jessica Kennedy and her research on hunger and food security in Watauga County.

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**OUR People**

Meet incoming Ambassador, Alekhya Yechoor:

I am a senior Nutrition major in the Gillings School of Global Public Health. I conduct research in Dr. Coleman’s lab in the Nutritional Biochemistry department. The lab focuses on understanding lipid metabolism and the enzymes that regulate it. I work with ACSL, an enzyme that activates fatty acids for shuttling to different pathways.

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