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Problem Background

- There is no current platform for students to look for research projects and opportunities in their departments if it's not asking directly to a professor.
- Many students are afraid/hesitant to approach professors without knowing beforehand what their research entails.
- Some research projects seem to fall off after a while because of inactivity due to students not knowing about the opportunity.

Countermeasures

• See all the different research from each department like a "job posting" where students can see the background and general project information.

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- If there are openings for specific lab groups or projects, professors can add requisites for the type of students they are looking for.
- All the information from the research will be available including the option to contact the professor in charge.
- If the research is "full" the job posting will stay there so students can read about it and wait for next semester to apply.
- Add a way of notifying students of new research postings, responses, and even updates about their favorite research.

Target

- Professors are able to post information about their ongoing research and what type of students they are looking for.
- Students are able to see ongoing research from different departments and get information on how to contact the faculty in charge.

Check/Evaluate

- Check if the number of students doing research in the university has increased.
- Check if the professors are seeing more traffic of students interested in their research.
- Evaluate that the number of active research opportunities has increased or stayed the same.
- Verify that the latest research students have been acquired through the postings.

Causes

- Some research projects fall off because of the lack of students working on it.
- Why? It's hard for students to find research opportunities in the university.
- Why? Students don't know what research opportunities are currently available.
- Why? There is no platform where professors can announce their research so students can be aware.

Act/Standardize

- This same platform can be used inside companies in order to recruit people to join different teams.
- Expand to other campuses inside the UPR system or even other universities.