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Research awards, as measured by the National Science Foundation, grew from $271 million to $288 million during Pacheco’s presidency, according to a press release. During that time, there was also a renewed emphasis on undergraduate education.

The ILC was constructed with the hope that access to computers, tutors, advisories and other services would encourage freshmen to continue their

Students show off research at forum

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Undergraduate students who spent the summer doing research across the country and around the world presented their work yesterday at the Undergraduate Research Forum.

Eight students, all participants in the McNair Achievement Program, traveled to Australia, Africa and throughout the United States to conduct research in fields such as chemistry, immunology, anthropology and plant sciences.

Andrew Huerta, assistant program director for the McNair Program, said research performed as an undergraduate is important for students interested in going to graduate school.

"We’re hoping to make [the students] well-rounded applicants," Huerta said. "We’re providing them with a hands-on experience.

The McNair Program, funded by the U.S. Department of Education, is open to students who are traditionally underrepresented in higher education. The program is named for Ronald McNair, one of seven astronauts killed by the explosion of the SR1 Challenger Space Shuttle in January 1986. The program allocated more than $44 million to participating universities in 2000, according to the Department of Education Web site. First-generation, low-income and minority students are all eligible to participate.

In addition to research opportunities, students who participate in the program

Drug, alcohol use up, DUls down at UA

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Between 2000 and 2003, while reports of alcohol violations increased from 239 to 277, reports of DUls dropped by more than a third, according to police reports. Reports of drug violation increased from 124 to 146, and drug-related arrests increased from 115 to 24.

The statistics in the 2003 University of Arizona Police Department’s Campus Safety and Security Report vary due to outside influences, police officials say.

Although the report states reported liquor violations and drug arrests have increased in the past four years, UAPO Sgt. Eugene Mejia said the rise in numbers is likely due to an increase in reporting the crimes to UAPO rather than an actual increase in the crimes themselves.

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