Guidelines for Poster Presentations

Student poster presenters will spend one-hour-long session with their poster presentation. They will speak about their research project to faculty and students, and entertain questions from those who choose to attend their virtual poster presentation.

Preparing Posters

- Most people create their work using Microsoft PowerPoint.
- Prepare a poster that is informative and graphically appealing.
- Poster should include presenter name, co-authors, academic program, home university, faculty advisor(s), funding sources (if applicable), and project title.
- Poster should clearly and concisely detail the project's: topic, scope, methodology, results (evidence, source material) and conclusions (thesis, interpretations).
- You are encouraged to work drafts of the poster through your faculty advisor.

Preparing Your Presentation

- Prepare a few-minute summary of your work for people who ask what your project is about.
- Practice your presentation so that it is concise, clear, evidenced, and effectively delivered.
- Seek editorial assistance and a practice audience from peers and/or faculty advisor(s).

Day of the Conference

- Know the scheduled time of your poster presentation. Volunteers and signs will direct you to your specific location. Arrive at least 10 minutes early to set up your poster.
- Consider bringing a contact info sheet/card to distribute to people interested in your work, including your name, home university, academic program, email and/or phone number, title of your poster and/or abstract of your project.
- Be prepared to learn: this is an opportunity to confidently share your hard work and humbly look forward to respectful questions and constructive feedback.
- Good news: being nervous does not hurt your credibility or authority. Have fun and enjoy!