Undergraduate Research Showcase 2023
Information Session
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Undergraduate Poster Competition

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About

• Event date: Oct 31/23
• Showcases undergraduate students’ expertise and passion for research
• NEW up to $6,500 $5,000 in cash prizes
• NEW Two presentation formats: Poster and Oral
• Five categories per format: Applied Sciences, Creative Works, Health Sciences, Social Sciences & Humanities, and Natural Sciences
• $500 (1st), $250 (2nd) (for categories > 5 entries)
About (cont’d)

• Meant to be centered around a ‘research experience’, i.e through the Undergraduate Research Award (URA), NSERC Award, Co-op experience, etc.
  • Includes students with Honor’s thesis program or similar thesis research, wherein the Honor’s student has a UM supervisor or similar.

• Not as the result of a general course project or special topics course, unless it was a major part of any of the above.
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Eligibility

Is open to all students who:

• Are enrolled at the UofM as an undergraduate student at the time the research was conducted.

• Have a UM or UM-affiliated research supervisor, or a UM supervisor (i.e., through an Honors Program)

• Are on track to obtain a UofM undergraduate degree
  • Students who graduated in spring 2023 are eligible to enter provided the research presented on the poster was completed while registered as an undergrad.
Competition formats:

- **Oral presentation**
  - Students will have a maximum of 3 minutes to explain/describe their research project in any means/media format of their choosing.
  - i.e Oral presentation, PowerPoint presentation, 3-D Demonstration, Video, etc.
Competition formats (cont’d):

- **Poster presentation**
  - Students will set up a poster at an established time and will be provided with a 2-hr window of time in which the judging will be conducted.
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Registration

• Complete online form by:
  October 13, 2023

• Go to VPRIO webpage

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Showcase your expertise and passion for research.

About the competition

We want to know what you did this summer! Come join The Undergraduate Research Showcase and share your research with the UM community!

What is the Undergraduate Research Showcase?
# Upcoming Important Dates

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<td>Oct. 13, 2023</td>
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I’ve registered, now what?

• Confirmation of registration from the Office of the VP (Research and International) (VPRIO) (approx. 3rd week of Oct)

• If Oral format selected:
  • VPRIO will contact you requesting information on your presentation, and any media or A/V required.
  • VPRIO will provide details about time slot for presentation
I’ve registered, now what? (cont’d)

• If Poster format selected:
  • VPRIO will contact you and confirm registration:
    • Provide details on poster set-up time
    • Provide details on judging window

• Work on your poster
  • Poster board size: 8ft wide x 4ft tall
  • No restrictions on that is posted in that space. i.e Can be multiple sheets posted together, collage format, 1 large poster printed at CadLab, etc.
Poster Board
Event Day schedule

• Poster format:
  • Arrive at the Multi-purpose room (2nd floor, University Centre) between 8:30am-10:00am to register and set up your poster. (the earlier, the better)
  • Push pins, tape provided.
  • You will be provided with a 2-hr judging window ahead of time.

• 3:00pm: close of judging, tallying of scores

• 4:00-4:30pm: Award presentation

• 4:30pm-5pm: Poster take-down (any remaining posters will be brought to reception in 410 Admin for collection by the student)
Event Day schedule

• Oral presentation format:
  • You will be provided with your presentation timeslot prior to the event, in which the judges will be present.
  • Arrive at the Multi-purpose room (2nd floor, University Centre) approximately 30 minutes prior to your presentation

• You are not required to stay for the remainder of the event, but tables will be available for those who wish to stay and network.

• 3:00pm: close of judging, tallying of scores
• 4:00-4:30pm: Award presentation
## Undergraduate Poster Competition

### Judging Criteria

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<td>Scholarly Content/ Scientific/Creative Content</td>
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<td>Appropriate use of images, graphic representation, and/or tables</td>
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<td>Effective communication to the audience</td>
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Post-event

• Pick up your unclaimed poster in 410 Admin at reception
• Winners will be contacted by email for some information in order to process the payment. (i.e SIN)
• Certificates will be issued post-event.
• Winners will have their name forwarded to the Registrar’s Office and will have this added to their co-curricular record.
• Winners will be listed on the Poster Competition website
FAQ’s

• I have an exam on the day of the event. Do I need to stay for the whole time during the competition? – **No, but it is highly recommended you are present to present your poster.**

• I did a project this summer with a company where I worked. Could I present the research work I did with them at this competition? – **only if you have a UM-affiliated research supervisor, i.e St. Boniface Hospital.**

• Am I required to speak briefly about my poster? - **Yes**

• Will I be evaluated based on my ability to communicate my research and findings or are the evaluations based on the content of my poster? – **Yes- see judging criteria**

• Will I be given a set appointment time to present the highlights of my poster to the judges? - **Yes**
FAQ’s

• Could I submit a poster for a project that isn't completed yet?  
  Yes

• This summer I participated in a project with many people 
  working on it. Should my poster demonstrate the entirety of 
  the project or just my contribution as a research assistant? 

  Preferably, you should be the first author of the research on the poster. A disclaimer is 
  highly recommended. You need to be able to identify your role in the context of the larger 
  project. Also, you must contact the others involved for their permission should you present 
  the entirety of the project.

• My research partner and I were thinking of submitting our 
  poster in the competition. Can we submit one poster under 
  our names since we are both authors on it? - No
FAQ’s

• How do I know which category my poster will fall under? - Please ask your research Advisor

• When do I set up my poster? - 8:30am-10:00 am on Oct 31/23

• Is there a way I could arrange to drop off my poster prior to the event to be set up and displayed for me? - No

• Where can I have my poster printed [on campus]? – CADLab for large posters, UMSU for letter-size printing

• Can I bring a Laptop or Tablet to play media? - No

• What is the deadline for registrations? - Fri, Oct 13/23

• Other questions? Refer to the website or send an email to poster_competition@umanitoba.ca
Useful Resources
Tips for making a better research poster *

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AwMFhyH7_5g

* AJE - American Journal Experts
Examples of Posters
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Questions?