UURAF: WHAT TO EXPECT
The Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity
Michigan State University recognizes that the land on which we conduct research, explore questions, and express creativity sits on land ceded in the 1819 Treaty of Saginaw. We acknowledge that Michigan State University occupies the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary Lands of the Anishinaabe – the Three Fires Confederacy of Ojibwe, Odawa, and Potawatomi peoples. As one of the first Land Grant colleges, Michigan State University is a beneficiary of Land allotted through the passing of the Morrill Act in 1862. As such, we have the responsibility to hold each other more accountable to the needs of American Indian and Indigenous peoples.
WORKSHOP GOALS

Help participants understand:

- What UURAF is
- The registration process
- How to successfully prepare for UURAF
- Where to find resources
- Q&A!
ABOUT UURAF

University Undergraduate Research & Arts Forum

Annual research presentation event for MSU undergraduates with hybrid format

Nearly 900 students presented their research and creative inquiry last year
WHO & WHAT

Presenters can be
- Current MSU Undergraduates
- December 2023 Graduates

Research and creative scholarship accepted
- Any mentored research experience
  - Course-based, Education Abroad, community-based, etc.
- Anywhere research is located
  - MSU facilities, other institutions, internships, summer experiences, and more
- Preliminary, in progress, or completed project
- Fall, spring, summer, or multiple semesters
- New presentation or previously presented at other venues
WHERE & HOW

Onsite at Breslin Center
- Posters
- Performances
- Exhibits
- In-person presentations and judging on April 12

Online at Symposium
- Orals
- Films
- Posters
- Pre-recorded, asynchronous for judging on April 11 - 12
Priority Registration ends: February 9 at 11:59 PM
Late Registration opens: February 12 (limited modality & category)

Draft abstracts accepted -- Final edits due March 29 at 11:59 PM
ABSTRACTS

- Brief overview of your research project
- Quickly summarizes your research and explains what you did when conducting the research

Focus on answering:
- What is your research about?
- Why is your research important?
- How was your research done?
- What will you present on?

Every UURAF submission is required to submit an abstract or proposal
- 250 words or less
- One paragraph, with no breaks or indentations
- Final version due March 29th 11:59 PM
AFTER REGISTRATION

Your presentation details will be assigned by February 23
- Category and section number
- Presentation number, timeslot, and location

This information will also be viewable on ser.msu.edu once available

You have until February 23 at 11:59 PM to make edits to your title

You have until March 29 at 11:59 PM to make any additional edits

Complete Level 1 RCR Training by March 29
ONSITE @ BRESLIN

Print poster 40" x 32"
Landscape or portrait
Request equipment for performance/exhibit before March 4

Poster presentations in the Arena
Performances and Exhibits on Concourse Level
Arrive 30 minutes before assigned timeslot
ONLINE @ SYMPOSIUM

- All online presentations visible to judges and visitors (i.e. family, friends, mentors)
- To comment on a presentation: MUST register for a free Symposium account

- Presentation page example
- All presentations will show:
  - title, abstract, presenter and mentor name(s)
- You will receive an email when someone comments
REQUIREMENTS FOR ONLINE

- Presentation materials submitted by **Monday, April 8 at 11:59 PM**
- You will be sent a submission link once online event site is ready
- **Late Submissions will not receive judging**
RESOURCES

Utilize the resources on our website urca.msu.edu

View:
- Step-by-step registration guides
- FAQs
- Abstract examples
- Past UURAF program books

Get one-on-one help from a peer UR Ambassador
UURAF WORKSHOPS

Writing Abstracts - March 14 at 7:00-7:30 PM Online

Presenting at UURAF - March 19 at 12:30-1:00 PM TBD

Presenting at UURAF - March 25 at 12:30-1:00 PM TBD

Presenting at UURAF - April 2 at 7:00-7:30 PM Online
QUESTIONS?

Get Answers!

- Peer Advising
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- ugrsrch@msu.edu
- 517-884-4384

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