# What to Expect - UURAF Posters



Need help at Breslin? Please ask student ambassadors in green Undergraduate Research polo shirts or any staff member with name tags.

## **ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN**

- Please arrive 30-60 minutes prior to your assigned presentation time to check in and prepare for your session. You may begin setting up your poster approximately 30 minutes before your assigned presentation time after the previous session ends.
- Enter the Breslin Center at the SE corner through the Gilbert Pavilion doors and check in at tables alphabetically according to last name. If driving, <u>parking information is available here</u>.

## ON THE CONCOURSE

- Stairs and an elevator down to the arena floor will be to your right after you check in.
- As you walk toward the arena, you will find the following:
  - Creative Arts Showcase presentations.
  - o List of all research presenters and maps of presentation locations.
  - o Information tables and representatives for undergraduate programs and graduate schools.

# **ON THE ARENA FLOOR**

- Additional maps will be located at the entrance to the posters to help you find your area. Each category is color coded, and each easel will have your presentation number attached.
- Arrange your poster on the posterboard and attach using the provided clips (leave the clips when your session ends). Any additional display materials, if used, must not impede visitor movement.
- If you need a quiet space to refresh, please seek out the Tranquility Room (south end, to the left as you enter arena). Light snacks and water will be available on the arena floor.

## SHARING YOUR RESEARCH

- You are expected to remain by your poster for the 90-minute session as visitors walk by to view. Take short breaks, stay hydrated and take care of yourself during this time, as needed.
- As visitors and UURAF judges view your posters, they will likely ask you to share about your research or ask you questions about your topic. It is best to be prepared with the following:
  - Prepare a brief overview of your project that is 2-3 minutes in length, keeping in mind that your audience may not have much experience in your research area.
  - Be ready to define specialized terms, clarify and share more in-depth about any aspect of your presentation.
  - o Not all judges will ask you questions as they may only listen in on your presentation to others.
- Even the most experienced presenters receive questions they may not have the answer to. It's OK to respond, "That's a good question, and I don't know how to answer it right now. Let me look into that for you and I can follow up later." or "Let me check with my research mentor."
- If someone asks you a question that you're not comfortable answering, you could respond, "I am not comfortable answering that question right now. Do you have another question I could answer?"
- At any time during presentations, seek out staff or your research mentor if you need assistance.
- Judging evaluations and award notifications will be shared by e-mail by the following Wednesday.