



# CALL FOR PROPOSALS

22<sup>nd</sup> Annual

## Undergraduate Research Symposium

Sponsored by the  
**Undergraduate Research Council**

Valdosta State University

**April 4-7, 2016**

### WHAT:

The Undergraduate Research Council of Valdosta State University invites undergraduate students to showcase their research, scholarship, and creative activities to the VSU community at the Twenty-second Annual Symposium on Undergraduate Research to be held on **April 4-7, 2016**. The purpose of the symposium is to provide students an opportunity to share research papers, laboratory experiments, field projects, creative performances, visual art works, or independent study projects completed or in-progress between Spring Semester 2015 and Spring Semester 2016. Papers may be considered for publication in OMNINO, the VSU undergraduate research journal.

### HOW:

Students must submit by email a one-page typed abstract (150 word limit) for a poster session, oral presentation, or creative performance/exhibition to their department or program representative. Directions and examples for the preparation of abstracts can be found at: <http://www.valdosta.edu/urc/>

Students are responsible for completing an electronic version of the student information form at <http://studentinformationform.weebly.com/> This weblink will be active in early February 2016 for student submissions.

Council representatives will submit the abstracts from their respective departments or programs by email to the symposium coordinator, Dr. James LaPlant ([jlplant@valdosta.edu](mailto:jlplant@valdosta.edu)). Council representatives should note if the abstract is for a poster session, oral paper presentation, or creative performance/exhibition. Students will submit the student information form through the Undergraduate Research Council website.

### IMPORTANT DUE DATES:

Abstracts to Department or Program Representatives:	<b>2/19/16</b>
URC Representatives send Abstracts to the Symposium Coordinator and Students Complete the online Student Information Form:	<b>2/26/16</b>
Notification to Students Selected to Participate in the Symposium:	<b>3/11/16</b>
PDFs of Posters to Departmental or Program Representatives for Publication after the Symposium:	<b>5/2/16</b>

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