



Call for Proposals

24th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium

Sponsored by the Undergraduate Research Council
Valdosta State University
April 9-12, 2018

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-fourth Annual Symposium on Undergraduate Research to be held on **April 9-12, 2018**. The purpose of the symposium is to provide students an opportunity to share research papers, laboratory experiments, field projects, creative performances, visual artworks, or independent study projects, both completed or in-progress, which were generated between spring semester 2017 and spring semester 2018. Papers may be considered for publication in *Omnino*, VSU's undergraduate research journal.

HOW: Students must submit, by email, an abstract (150-word limit) for a poster session, oral presentation, creative performance, and/or creative exhibition to their department or program representative. Directions and examples for the preparation of abstracts and submissions 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 URL will be active in early February 2018 for student submissions.

Council representatives will submit abstracts from their respective departments or programs by email to the symposium coordinator, Dr. James LaPlant (jlaplant@valdosta.edu). Council representatives should note whether the student abstract is for a poster session, oral paper presentation, or creative performance/exhibition. Students will submit the student information form through <http://studentinformationform.weebly.com/>

IMPORTANT DUE DATES:

- Abstracts to Department or Program Representatives.....2/23/18
- URC Representatives send Abstracts to the Symposium Coordinator and Students complete the online Student Information Form.....3/2/18
- Notification to Students Selected to Participate in the Symposium.....3/19/18
- PDFs of Posters to Departmental or Program Representatives for Publication after the Symposium.....5/4/18

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WHO: For additional information, visit our website at www.valdosta.edu/urc/ or contact your departmental or program representative on the Council:

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