

AMS Student Conference Poster Session Guidelines

- All poster presenters must register for the AMS Student Conference. Registration for the AMS Student Conference is separate from AMS Annual Meeting registration.
- All presenting authors must be active AMS Student Members (or AMS Members with Student Privileges) for 2021. If you are not eligible for AMS Student Membership and still wish to present at the AMS Student Conference Poster Session, please contact session chairperson Nick Grondin at ngrondin@vols.utk.edu.
- It is perfectly acceptable (and even encouraged) for students to submit the same abstract for both the AMS Student Conference Poster Session (held Sunday evening) and the main AMS Annual Meeting (held Monday–Thursday).
 - Note: The abstract submission system will not allow two identical submissions, so you will need to change at least one word in the abstract title the second time you submit the abstract.

AMS Student Conference Poster Competition Eligibility and Guidelines

- The presenting author must be the first author on the abstract.
- The presenting author must be the sole in-person presenter. Posters with multiple in-person presenters will be disqualified from the AMS Student Conference Poster Competition.
- We will be hosting the live poster session on Sunday, January 10, 2021 from 6:30p–8:30p Eastern Standard Time (UTC-5). We ask that you plan to be available during that time period for conference attendees to come talk to you about your awesome research! However, all student conference posters will be available for viewing throughout the duration of the meeting, as well as for a time after the meeting.
- However, in order to be flexible and fair for the student conference poster competition, you WILL NOT be judged on your posters based on your live presentation. Instead, we ask that you upload a short (~3-6 minutes), audio only recording of what you would say during a live poster presentation for judging purposes. This recording must be uploaded with your poster no later than December 28, 2020. In addition, these recordings will be available to attendees who wish to view the posters on other days of the meeting.
- Poster presentations will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
 - **Introduction:** The research topic and questions are clearly defined.
 - **Methods:** The methods employed in the project are clearly stated.
 - **Results:** A coherent explanation of data, results, and analyses is provided.
 - **Discussion/Conclusion:** Results are interpreted, and conclusions are clearly stated.
 - **Aesthetics and Mechanics:** The poster is readable and generally visually appealing. Axes are labeled, and units are given.
 - **Overall Research Quality:** The student has developed and evaluated a novel idea and contributed to scientific knowledge.
 - **Presentation Style:** The presenter is professional, organized, and knowledgeable. The presentation is engaging, and questions are answered effectively.
- Prizes will be awarded in “Graduate” and “Undergraduate” categories based on whether the majority of the work was completed before or after completion of the bachelor’s

degree.

Please contact poster session chairperson Nick Grondin (ngrondin@vols.utk.edu) with any questions regarding the Student Conference Poster Session.