Dear Students,

I am pleased to announce that the 9th annual SDSM&T Research Symposium, sponsored by Research Affairs, will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 in the Surbeck Center. The symposium will be open to both undergraduate and graduate students.

Students may submit an abstract for either an oral presentation using PowerPoint slides or a poster presentation, but not both. The subject of the research presentation is left entirely to the individual. Possible topics include, but are not limited to: reports of ongoing or completed research or design projects, or reviews of recent advances in some branch of engineering, science and mathematics, or humanities and social sciences.

In order to participate, students must submit an abstract online using the form available at http://interact.sdsmt.edu/research/symposium. The online submission form will be open February 15, 2018 until March 12, 2018. Once all submissions are received, each participant will receive an email with details regarding their session. Oral presentation times will be limited to 20 minutes. This will include set-up, presentation, and a short question and answer period. Both oral and poster presentations will be evaluated by a group of judges. Poster presentation size is 34 inches by 44 inches or smaller. All accepted abstracts will be organized on a flash drive, which will be provided to all participants. Each abstract should be reviewed by mentor/advisor prior to the submission.

Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place in both oral and poster categories to both graduates and undergraduates as follows:

1st Prize - $500
2nd Prize - $300
3rd Prize - $200

In addition, a $500 cash award will be presented to the best overall undergraduate presentation and the best overall graduate presentation. In the case of multiple authors, the prize will be awarded to the author who presents the paper/poster. These prizes will be awarded during the Awards Ceremony, held in the Surbeck Ballroom, on the evening of April 3.

If students have questions regarding research projects for the symposium, they should check with their department head or chair.

Thank you,

Jan A. Puszynski, PhD
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