



RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

#### 2012 Research Day at the Capitol

STUDENT TRAINING SESSION





#### Training Session Agenda

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2012

12:30 p.m. Registration and Working Lunch

12:40 p.m. Welcome & Introductions

12:50 p.m. Paperwork (stipend, hotel, etc.)

1:00 p.m. Guidelines, Poster Competition Info. & Instructions

Gina Miller, EPSCoR Outreach Coordinator

1:20 p.m. Poster Preparation & Oral Presentation Information

Courtney Garcia

2011 Research Day at the Capitol Grand Prize Winner

1:50 p.m. Insight and Instruction from a Judge's Perspective

Sherry Marshall, Research Day at the Capitol Judge

2:30 p.m. Adjourn





#### TIMELINE OF IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, January 14 Student training session

(State Capitol, 4th Floor Rotunda)

January 14 to March 14 Students prepare scientific posters

and display units

Tuesday, February 14 Deadline for students to submit:

\* revised abstracts (MS Word),

\* electrical requests

\* hotel requests

\* all guest names

Wednesday, March 14 Students with prescheduled overnight

arrangements check into hotel after 3 p.m. (*Marriot Courtyard Downtown*)

Dinner on your own.

Thursday, March 15 Research Day at the Capitol

(State Capitol, 4th Floor Rotunda)



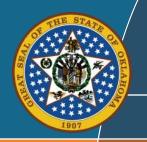


YOUR STIPEND FUNDING

If your financial responsibility form has been submitted prior to the training session, you can expect delivery of your \$250 stipend check within 2-3 weeks. Call our office if you have not received your check by February 10<sup>th</sup>, and we'll attempt to track it.

- Funds are to cover your travel to/from OKC and for fees incurred in developing your poster.
- Checks will be mailed to your permanent address, which may/may not be your university address.
- Checks will be issued from "State of Oklahoma," NOT "OK EPSCoR."





#### MARCH 15, 2012 \* EVENT AGENDA

7 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. Students arrive

(Check in, set up posters and eat breakfast)

8 a.m. Posters set up and ready to present

8 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Posters on exhibit

(Students meet with legislators & Capitol guests)

8:15 a.m. Judging for poster competition begins

8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Regional institution posters are judged

(Times approximate!)

10 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Research-intensive institution posters are judged

(Times approximate!)

11:30 – 1 p.m. Lunch available in room 412A/B

11:40 a.m. Photo on Grand Staircase

(Students, legislators and faculty mentors)

1:30 p.m. Awards ceremony, Governor's Blue Room

2 p.m. Adjourn and take down posters



WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU

A six-foot table covered with a white, floor-length table cloth will be provided for you.

You are required to bring:

- Photo ID
   (May be requested by security at the Capitol entrance)
- Your poster & firm board backing
- Easel
- Tacks, Velcro or other attachment materials
- Hands-on demonstration materials

You are highly encouraged to identify your home and school legislators prior to coming to the event. Know them by sight and greet them by name, if possible. <a href="www.oklegislature.gov">www.oklegislature.gov</a>





### March 15th \* Day of the Event

#### ARRIVAL INFORMATION

- Arrive 7 a.m.–7:30 a.m.
- Park in the approved visitor parking area on the primaryentrance side of the building
- Enter the building via the blue portico entrance (west side)
- Go through security (no knives, etc.)
- Take elevator to 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Check in at the EPSCoR booth & receive name badge and other materials
- Set up poster first, then grab breakfast
   (Name badge serves as your meal ticket throughout the day.)
- Breakfast will be available in room 412A/B, 7:00-8:30 a.m.
   Snacks & drinks will be available at 9 a.m.
- Everyone set up and ready to go by 8 a.m.!
- Judging begins promptly at 8:15 a.m.



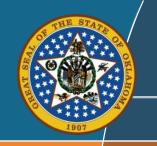
#### JUDGING TIMEFRAME

Judges will visit each student as a group. (There will be ~4 judges.) Each student will be allowed 3 minutes for their oral presentation, followed by 2 minutes of questions from the judges. A stopwatch will be used and judges will take notes.

- Judging begins promptly at 8:15 a.m.
- Regional universities will be judged first: 8:15 a.m.–9:30 a.m.
- Research-intensive universities will be judged after judges break to confer over regional presentations: 10 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

Important: Judges may/may not go in numerical order and times noted above are approximate, so be prepared to present when the judges arrive at your booth.





JUDGING CRITERIA

The following judging criteria are used, with a 1-10 scale for each item:

- Abstract
   Format, clarity, societal impact, objective of study, results, conclusions, etc.
- Scientific presentation
   Clear purpose, hypothesis, background information, results, impact, further study expected
- Student's ability to explain the project
- Visual appearance
- Clarity of general audiences
- Societal impact statement
- Overall





#### SUGGESTIONS FOR A SUCCESSFUL PRESENTATION

- Review sample judging sheet criteria
- Review your abstract and submit revision, if desired, by 2/14
- Do mock presentations prior to event
- Talk loud and project your voice (room is noisy)
- Pay close attention to societal impact and research objective
- Answer, "What have you accomplished with your research?"
- Statistics are good—provide proof of outcomes
- Focus on what you contributed in regards to the research.
   Don't claim to have done it all if that's not the case. Toot your horn if it's applicable!
  - "With assistance I...."
  - "In collaboration with my faculty mentor I....."
  - "I explored \_\_\_\_ with the grad assistant on the project."
  - "I independently performed......"



AWARD CEREMONY AND PRIZES

Winners will be announced at an awards ceremony to be held in the Governor's Blue Room at 1:30 p.m. on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

From the posters presented, EPSCoR will award the following prizes:

Grand Prize: \$500 cash prize + \$4,000 summer research internship\*

\$2,500 award to the sponsoring college/university lab

to offset expenses of hosting the internship

\*Final project reports will be required.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Prizes will be awarded in each of two

categories: Regional/community colleges (3 awards/1<sup>st,</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>)

research-intensive campuses (3 awards/1<sup>st,</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>)

1st Place: \$500 cash prize (1 ea: regional and research-intensive)

2nd Place: \$250 cash prize (1 ea: regional and research-intensive)

3rd Place: \$250 cash prize (1 ea: regional and research-intensive)

NOTE: The student identified as the lead on the project must present their poster in person at Research Day to be eligible for prizes.









