



# RESEARCH DAY AT THE CAPITOL

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## 2022 GUIDELINES

### About the Event

Research Day at the Capitol was established 27 years ago to showcase the outstanding undergraduate research being conducted at Oklahoma's colleges and universities in the areas of science (including social science), technology, engineering, and mathematics. The prestigious event is sponsored by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, Oklahoma Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (OK EPSCoR), and the National Science Foundation.

### Timeline & Activities

**December 1, 2021**

**Deadline for nominations**

Online submission per provided guidelines

**January 7, 2022**

**Student informational training session**

Zoom meeting; Student participation mandatory

**February 1, 2022**

**Revised abstract deadline**

**March 7, 2022**

**Online registration closes (all attendees)**

**March 15, 2022**

**Poster PDFs due**

Note: Printed posters are also required for the event

**March 28, 2022**

**Poster and oral presentation judging**

Science Museum Oklahoma, OKC

**March 29, 2022**

**Research Day at the Capitol**

State Capitol Building

**March 29, 2022**

**Research Day at the Capitol Awards Ceremony**

State Capitol Building

## Nomination Guidelines

All Oklahoma colleges and universities are invited to nominate one outstanding research project conducted by an undergraduate student who is currently enrolled at their institution. OSU, OU and TU are allowed additional nominations due to multiple campuses conducting research. (Important: There may only be one student nominated per research project!)

### Nomination allocations for the 2022 event are as follows:

- Oklahoma State University – 4
- Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences – 1
- University of Oklahoma-Norman – 4
- University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center – 1
- The University of Tulsa – 2
- All other institutions in the state – 1 each

### Student nomination restrictions:

1. The student must be enrolled as an undergraduate at the nominating Oklahoma institution of higher learning for the entirety of the 2021-22 academic year.
2. The student's research must have originated from an OKLAHOMA institution of higher learning. Research performed at or through institutions outside of Oklahoma may not be presented.
3. The student must be a legal resident of Oklahoma.
4. The student must attend all sessions indicated below. Waivers will not be granted; make-up dates will not be scheduled.
  - Informational training session via Zoom: Jan. 7, 2022, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
  - Oral and poster competition: March 28, 2022, noon – 5 p.m.
  - All scheduled Capitol activities, including poster exhibit and awards ceremony: March 29, 2022, 7:30 a.m. – noon

The informational training session, held via Zoom teleconference, is designed to inform students of the event's guidelines and to provide recommendations for success. Students must have access to a full-size tablet/computer with audio and internet access; cell phones are not acceptable. After completion of the training session, the nominated student will receive (by mail) a \$250 stipend to offset any expenses they may incur during this event. Participation in all mandatory activities is required to retain the stipend.

*Please note: Should unforeseen issues arise, including those related to public health, EPSCoR may modify the Research Day at the Capitol activities outlined above.*

## Poster Competition and Awards

Students' posters and oral presentations will be individually judged from noon – 5 p.m. on March 28, 2022, at Science Museum Oklahoma in Oklahoma City. Poster competition winners will be announced during an awards ceremony at the State Capitol the following day.

The top student researchers will be awarded the following:

- Over-all Grand Prize: \$500 award plus \$4,000 summer research internship; \$2,500 award to the sponsoring OK college/university lab to offset internship hosting expenses.
- First Place (\$500), Second Place (\$250), and Third Place (\$250) prizes will be awarded in each of these categories:
  - (1) Research Intensive Institutions and (2) Regional, Community, and Tribal Colleges

## **Nomination Instructions – Submission Deadline: Dec. 1, 2021**

The following documents must be included with the institution's nomination package and uploaded at the time of submission. *(All documents must be submitted accurately and completely [to the Official Site](#).)*

1. Abstract Form
2. Student's Research Project Abstract (developed per Abstract Form guidelines)
3. Financial Responsibility Form

Nomination packages must be submitted online at: <http://www.okepscor.org/official-nomination-form-2022-research-day-capitol>. Accuracy of the information provided, especially the students' permanent home and school addresses, is essential, as the information will be used to identify students' state legislators.

The submission deadline is December 1, 2021.

### **Files for Download**

- [Abstract Form](#)
- [Financial Responsibility Form](#)

### **For More Information**

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