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**Forty-Seventh
Annual**

**Central
California
Research
Symposium**



Call for Abstracts

Abstracts from all areas of study are encouraged

**Symposium Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026
8:00 am – 5:00 pm**

**California State University, Fresno
The Resnick Student Union**

**Student Deadline: Thursday, February 26, 2026
by 5:00 pm**

**Faculty Approval Deadline: Thursday, March 5,
2026 by 5:00 pm**

These deadlines will not be extended.

DEADLINE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2026

The purpose of the Symposium is to share recent research with community investigators in various fields, college students, and faculty as well as to encourage research activities in the Central Valley. All fields of research will be considered for presentation to exchange further ideas among investigators and the general public.

All individuals, including faculty, residents, graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to submit abstracts.

All abstracts will be peer reviewed. Comparative analysis, data, and **results** of completed research or research in advanced stages of completion must be described in the abstract.

Abstracts will be judged by the coordinating committee on the criteria outlined below:

- Scholarly merit appropriate to the discipline
- Creativity
- Timeliness
- Value
- Clarity to an audience of scholars not necessarily from the same discipline.

Abstracts should not contain technical jargon and undefined symbols. The most frequent reason for rejection of proposals is the absence of results.

No more than one presentation may be made by an individual author. This does not preclude a co-author from making a presentation.

Judges attending each session will recommend undergraduate and graduate students for cash awards.

Abstract Format

Title:
Presentation Type: Oral or Poster
Author(s):
Institution(s):
E-mail Address:

If you are a student presenter, please indicate whether you are an Undergraduate, Master's, or Doctoral Student.

Requirements

Abstract of not more than 300 words.

The body of the abstract should be organized as follows:

a. Introduction stating objectives of the study

b. Brief summary of methods

c. Summary of results
(Note: It is not satisfactory to state "The results will be discussed." **If data collection is not complete, include preliminary results.**)

d. Conclusion

Tips

• Do not use technical jargon.

• Proofread your abstracts prior to submitting. (Note: Abstracts which are selected will be published in the proceedings exactly as typed.)

• The title should be brief but clearly identify the nature of the study.

Abstracts not adhering to these guidelines may not be considered for presentation.

Presentation Guidelines

Authors should indicate their preference for either an oral **OR** a poster presentation.

Twelve-Minute Oral Presentations will be followed by 3 minutes for discussion.

Poster Presentation format details will be provided to authors selected for a poster presentation.

Time and Location of Presentation: Notification of acceptance will specify location and exact time of presentation. Some oral sessions may be interdisciplinary.

Sponsorship Requirement: Authors of papers entered in the student competition must be sponsored by a faculty member. **Your google submission will be routed to your faculty mentor for approval. A completed application consists of your abstract submission and your faculty mentor's electronic approval. Only competed applications will be considered.**

Acceptance Policy: In order to participate in sessions, participants must confirm their invitation to present. Presenters who do not confirm will not be scheduled.

No Show Policy: If a student confirms their intent to present and does not show up on the day of the event, their faculty sponsor will be notified.

Withdrawal Policy: If a first author chooses to withdraw his or her abstract for any reason, a request must be submitted by March 26, 2025. Please note that late withdrawals are strongly discouraged.

Only abstracts presented on the day of the event will be published in the Central California Research Symposium Proceedings.

A social hour will conclude the symposium. Student awards will be announced at a separate event.

Please submit abstracts online at:
<https://tinyurl.com/82wvn4jk>
Questions? Please call (559) 278-0840