



Virginia State University : VSU- Graduate Research Initiative
2nd Annual Graduate Research Symposia

“Developing Graduate Research Excellence and Leadership”
A Showcase of Graduate Student Research, Scholarship and Creative Achievement
Saturday April 18, 2009

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The 2nd Annual Graduate Research Symposia of the VSU Graduate Research Initiative (VSU-GRI) Program will be held at Virginia State University on Saturday April 18, 2009 from 8:30 am to 2 pm. Papers will be scheduled on Saturday morning and through the day as needed. A Poster Session will begin at 12:00 PM and stay through out the day. Projects may be completed or in progress. Entries may be individual or group (see group section). The Symposia are open to all graduate students enrolled at VSU or other VA universities and engaged in research, scholarship and creative achievement under the direction of a faculty mentor/advisor.

To submit a paper, poster, or project complete and send the Abstract Application Form no later than March 11, 2009.

REQUIRED ABSTRACT COMPONENTS AND GUIDELINES: POSTERS & PAPERS

Abstracts must abide by the following rules and guidelines in order to be considered for acceptance into the Symposia:

- All submissions must be received by March 11, 2009
- Abstract should be submitted by e-mail to adollete@vsu.edu
- Accepted abstracts must contain:
 - 1) hypothesis or statement about the problem under investigation, 2) statement of the experimental methods used, 3) essential results provided in summary form (even if preliminary), and 4) a conclusion.
- Students must obtain permission from their research mentor, co-authors, and/or program director before submitting an abstract.
- Abstracts must have at least two authors (student and faculty) in the author block.
- ONLY STUDENTS can be presenting authors. Only the first author listed will be the presenter.
- Work must be proofread prior to submission. Abstract will not be edited for the proceedings.

NOTIFICATION LETTERS

Once an abstract has been submitted, the only means of communication will be by e-mail. Therefore, it is very important that a valid and current e-mail address be on record. **Notification letters will be sent through e-mail by March 30, 2009.** To confirm that all materials have been received by the VSU-GRI, please check the weekly registration confirmation listing at the VSU-GRI link on the website of the Department of Graduate Studies, Research and Outreach (on the VSU website) beginning February 23, 2009. If you have not received your notification letter by March 27, 2009, please check your junk folder before contacting the VSU-VGRI committee by e-mail (adollete@vsu.edu) to request a copy of your notification letter.

SYMPOSIA INFORMATION:

Registration:

- Students and Mentors attending the Symposia should register by submitting the Registration Form by March 11, 2009.
- A nominal registration fee of \$10 cash will be collected at Symposia site to defray cost of Symposia proceedings and refreshments for the day

ABSTRACT APPLICATION FORM

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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION AND ABSTRACT:
March 11 , 2009**

No submitted abstract will be accepted for presentation without a signed application form

Category (Select one category that best fits your poster/oral presentation)

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Abstract is to be presented by (one name only)

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As the PRESENTING AUTHOR of this abstract, and on behalf of all the co-authors. I hereby allow Virginia State University VSU – GRI Program to print this abstract in the Symposia proceedings.

Name:

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Date:

Please provide complete name, address and a daytime phone number of the Faculty Advisor / Mentor below:

Faculty Sponsor/Mentor’s Name:

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Send Completed and Signed Application to:

VSU - GRI Graduate Annual Research Symposia
Box 9402
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E-mail Abstract (in Word document) to: adollete@vsu.edu

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Abstract (Please do not exceed more than 250 words)



REGISTRATION FORM



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VSU- GRI

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April 18, 2009

Name: _____ Title: _____

Affiliation: _____ Classification: _____
(If Student)

Address: _____
Street /PO Box City State Zip

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Please check: Student Faculty

If faculty, would you be interested to be a judge? Yes No

Will Attend Luncheon Will NOT Attend Luncheon

If VSU Student, Please Check if you have a Meal Plan

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