The University of Houston’s Graduate School and the Provost Office are hosting the University-wide Graduate Research and Scholarship Projects (GRaSP) Day on April 7, 2017 (Friday) at the UH Student Center Theater, Ballroom, and Houston Room. This event is intended to showcase the breadth and depth of groundbreaking research being undertaken by UH graduate students across disciplines, as well as to offer opportunities for cross-disciplinary networking.

One of the feature events on this day will be the session featuring 96 poster presentations by advanced graduate students across the university. To set each student up for success at this unique opportunity, the Graduate School and GRaSP committee members will work extensively in the early fall with selected students to train and prepare them. This aspect of the Graduate Research and Scholarship Projects Day is designed to bring forward the very best graduate student representatives from the fourteen (14) colleges; the posters will be judged by a panel of external judges.

To advance the selection process, we are seeking up to eight primary and up to eight alternates’ nominations from the Colleges of Architecture, Arts, Business, Education, HRM, Law Center, Nursing, Optometry, Pharmacy, Social Work, and the College of Technology. From the larger colleges (NSM, CLASS, & ENGR), we are seeking up to sixteen primary and up to sixteen alternates’ nominations from your College of potential graduate student presenters.

These nominations should be sent to the Dean or Graduate Associate Dean of the College for a final decision, who will rank them accordingly, before sending the information to the UH Graduate School. Ideally, the students nominated will have the following: an area of research considered by the College as interesting and important; strong communication skills; an ability to communicate their information to a lay audience; and the time available in February and March for intensive training, practice and rehearsal before the event. From these nominations, the GRaSP committee will make the final selection of the presenters. Substantial preference will be given to students with advanced standing in their respective programs.

We ask that each College submits the completed nomination packets (see attached form) for each candidate by November 30, 2016. Please e-mail all materials as a single pdf to gradschool@uh.edu and name the pdf as follows: CollegeInitials-LastNameOfStudent.pdf. Students will be notified about the outcome of the selection process no later than January 2017. Thanks, in advance, for your help with this important selection process. If you have any questions, please contact Princess Ephriam at 713-743-9100 or plephriam@uh.edu.
Nomination Package Cover Page and Dean’s Endorsement

Directions: Active graduate students in good standing with the College and at advanced stages (to be determined by the College Dean and/or Graduate Associate Dean) of their thesis or dissertation research are eligible for nomination. For each nominee, please complete this application form as well as include items 2-5 below.

Checklist to confirm that this Nomination Package is complete by containing the following:

1. Nomination Package Cover Page signed by the Dean (page 2)
2. Nominee’s signed Demographic Information (page 3)
3. Nominee’s Poster Information (page 4)
4. Nominee’s signed Commitment to Attend Training (page 5)
5. Nominee’s signed Media Release Form (page 6)
6. Nominee’s current Curriculum Vitae (remaining pages as necessary)

Once complete with all signatures and all materials, Nomination Packages are to be sent by the Dean or his/her appointee via e-mail attachment to gradschool@uh.edu no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 30, 2016. Please note that one presenter will be selected from each College.

Dean’s Endorsement

I support the nomination of this graduate student for consideration as one of the College’s poster presenters at the 2017 University of Houston Graduate Research and Scholarship Projects Day Poster session.

Category (Circle one): Primary or Alternate

Dean’s Signature:

Date:
Nominee’s Demographic Information

First Name: ________________________________________________

Last Name: ________________________________________________

Department: ______________________________________________

Degree Program: __________________________________________

Academic Advisor(s): ______________________________________

Length of Time at UH: ________________________________

E-Mail: ________________________________

Cell Phone: ________________________________

Home Phone: ________________________________

Nominee’s Signature

_________________________________________________________________

Date

_________________________________________________________________
Poster Information

Title: 
Authors: (Author 1, Author 2) 
Affiliations: (Affiliation 1, Affiliation 2) 
What is the main contribution of the work presented? (Maximum 200 characters-no spaces):

Why are your results important for researchers? (Maximum 200 characters-no spaces):

Why are your results important for the general public? (Maximum 200 characters-no spaces):

Results: Add a figure from your results with an appropriate caption

In your opinion, what are the main challenges presenting a poster?
Graduate Research and Scholarship Projects Day (GRaSP)

Commitment to Attend

If I am selected as one of my College’s representative presented at the 2017 University of Houston Graduate Research and Scholarship Projects Day Poster session, I agree that only adversities presented by personal or family emergency will impede my regular attendance at preparatory sessions on the following dates (location and exact times to be announced):

Tentative Dates for training and preparation (tentative times 2:30pm-4:00pm)*
Friday, February 17th– Introductory meeting and workshop on poster design
Friday, February 24th– Review of first draft of posters
Friday, March 3rd– Review of second draft of posters
Friday, March 17th– Workshop on poster presentations
Friday, March 24th– Review of first draft of poster presentations
Friday, March 31st– Review of second draft of poster presentations
Friday, April 7th– Showtime

* If an individual needs more individual training, they will need to be available for additional time.

Nominee’s Signature:  

___________________________________________________________________

Date:  

___________________________________________________________________
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I am the parent and/or guardian of the above minor and hereby consent and agree to the foregoing terms and provisions on his or her behalf.

______________________________ Date

Signature

Printed or Typed Name

Phone

Address

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