

Celebration of Scholarship & Learning Planning Guide

The Celebration of Scholarship and Learning represents an opportunity for the entire Towson University community to recognize the accomplishments of Honors College students. For students presenting at the conference it is a valuable way to integrate experiential learning or academic and career plans, to share this knowledge with others, and to learn from the accomplishments of one's peers.

The Celebration of Scholarship and Learning is held twice a year-once in early fall during Family Weekend and again typically in March or April. The majority of Honors students who present posters during these events have recently completed an experiential learning experience for which they will earn Honors credit, such as conducting research, studying abroad, or completing an internship.

About Poster Conferences

- A poster presentation is a visual representation of your research or project. It is a valuable way to share your work with others and to receive feedback. Posters are typically displayed at a poster session during the conference. Each poster should be approximately 36 inches wide and 60 inches high. Posters should be clearly legible and visually appealing. Use large fonts and high-contrast colors. Avoid clutter and excessive text. Use bullet points and numbered lists to organize your information. Use charts and graphs to illustrate your data. Use a professional and academic tone. Posters should be printed on high-quality paper or poster board. Posters should be displayed in a well-lit area. Posters should be available for viewing from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the day of the conference. Posters should be removed from the display area at the end of the day. Posters should be stored in a safe place until they are removed. Posters should be returned to the Honors College office at the end of the conference.

sound, highlighting the context of your work (through photographs, maps, etc.), your methods, and results (with graphs, charts, photographs, etc.).

- The poster should be able to stand on its own as a clear, logical presentation of your work, without any explanation from you. Poster content should be typed.
- To do a poster presentation, you should prepare an “elevator speech” – a one to two- minute summary of your project that you could deliver to anyone during a typical e e oi ye

Prepare about 50 handouts. Alternatively, you may wish to instead provide a sign-up sheet to record the names and addresses of attendees who might want more information, reprints, etc. Please bring your own clip-board for sign-up sheets. Tables may or may not be available.

- If you wish to bring electronic equipment to accompany your poster session, you must also bring a power source. Electrical outlets may not be available for your use.
- You may bring artifacts or items from your experience (common for study abroad presentations). But be prepared to hold them or affix them to your poster board as you may be assigned a spot at a table or an easel.

Recommended Online Resources

- [Developing a Winning Poster Presentation](#)
- [Creating an Effective Poster](#)
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- Be sure to speak loudly enough to be heard, slow enough that you think you're