

## POSTER instructions

Each author will be provided with one board, 4 feet across and 3 feet high

### TITLE BANNER

The title banner should be approximately 3 feet. Lettering should be at least 3/4 to 1 inch high (72 pt. bold).

The banner should include the author(s), mentors and affiliation.

### CONTENT

You may prepare your presentation in blocks that are a minimum of 8.5 x 11 inches. Use **a sans serif font**, such as Arial or Helvetica, in a minimum size of 24 pt. (1/4 inch high). Text, figures and photographs should be readable from a distance of 3-4 feet.

Be simple and direct in your poster presentation. Use short phrases and “bulleted” text throughout the poster. Avoid long narrative paragraphs.

The posters should be organized to include the following elements:

- *Overview (Goals or Objectives)*

A succinct summary of the purpose, methods and results. Use phrases rather than sentences in a simple outline format or as bullet items. Place in the upper left section of the board.

- *Background/Introduction*

Providing complementary info to the objective (i.e., addressing the question why this research was conducted).

- *Materials and Methods*

Description of the apparatus, chemistry, samples, materials, etc. in some, but not overwhelming detail. Schemes and pictures are appreciated.

- *Results*

Make sure that the results specifically reflect the title of your presentation and address the goals/objectives stated. If necessary, the title can be changed to address the specific problem described.

Graphs, spectra, charts, pictures, etc., with a minimum of text to illustrate the nature of the results. Minimum font size on charts should be 16.

- *Conclusions*

Concise statement of the findings (positive, as well as negative), indicating future research directions (possibly in bullets)

- *Acknowledgement*
- *Optionally References*

### LAYOUT

Arrange the poster panels or printout for logical flow from top left to lower right of the board.