

32nd Annual Undergraduate Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities Conference



Mandatory Prep Session Virtual Conference

April 28-May 1, 2021

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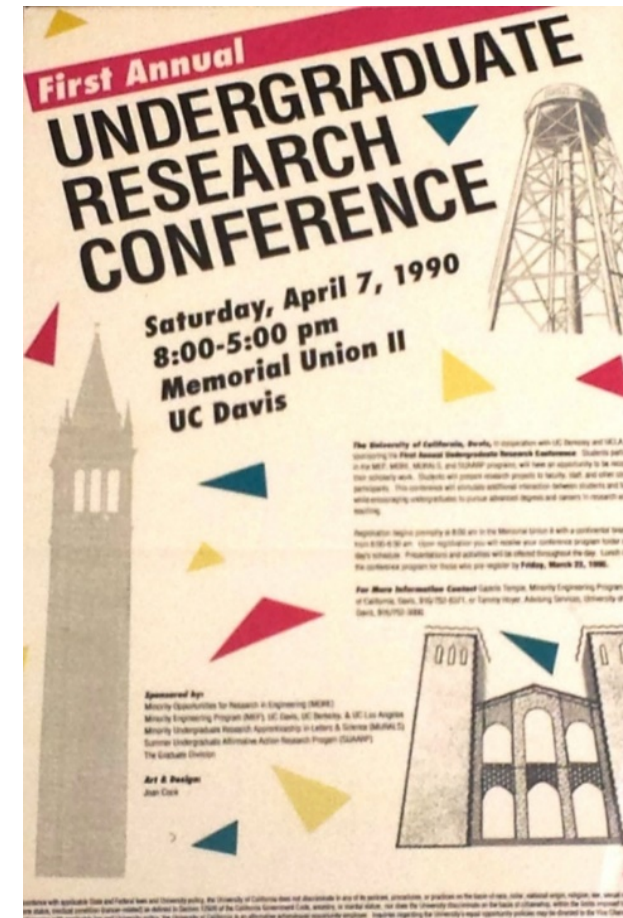
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Conference History

- The Undergraduate Research Conference was established in 1990
 - 19 student presenters
- >700 student presenters in 2019
 - Representing all colleges and >85 majors
- The 2020 conference is the first ever virtual conference due to campus response to coronavirus.



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New Conference Dates and Format!

- Conference is **April 28th - May 1st**
- Online platform **(requires login)** to upload and view pre-recorded videos of student research presentation
- Video presentations can be viewed over 4 days **(April 28th – May 1st)**
- Format features online Q&A (occurring over a 4-day period, not live)



Conference Format

- Virtual conference still has many of the same benefits as a traditional format
- Faculty, staff and presenters can login to give feedback and participate in online Q&A
- Student presenters and student “attendees” participating in Q&A will be able to “compete” for awards as Conference VIPs



Benefits of Virtual Conference

- Prepare a research presentation
- Develop communication skills and practice public speaking
- Create a video presentation of your research
- CV/resume or other professional development
- Get feedback and insight about your research
- Showcase your research to faculty, administrators and other researchers in a scholarly setting
- Excellent resume and skill builder
- Outstanding experience to highlight



Video Presentations

- All presenters will make video presentations
- You can follow your presentation format
- Poster presentations should be 5-10 minutes
- Oral presentations should be 8-12 minutes
- The max time for ANY presentation is 15 minutes
- April 19, 2021 deadline to upload presentation title place holder
- FINAL Deadline to upload video: **Friday, April 23, 2021**



Video Presentation Checklist

<https://urc.ucdavis.edu/presenter-checklist>

- Finalize poster or slide deck
- Choose video recording software (Zoom, AggieVideo, PowerPoint, etc.)
- Group presenters agree on software, time to record, assign roles, and who will upload video
- Find best location to record
- Consider lighting, quiet space, equipment



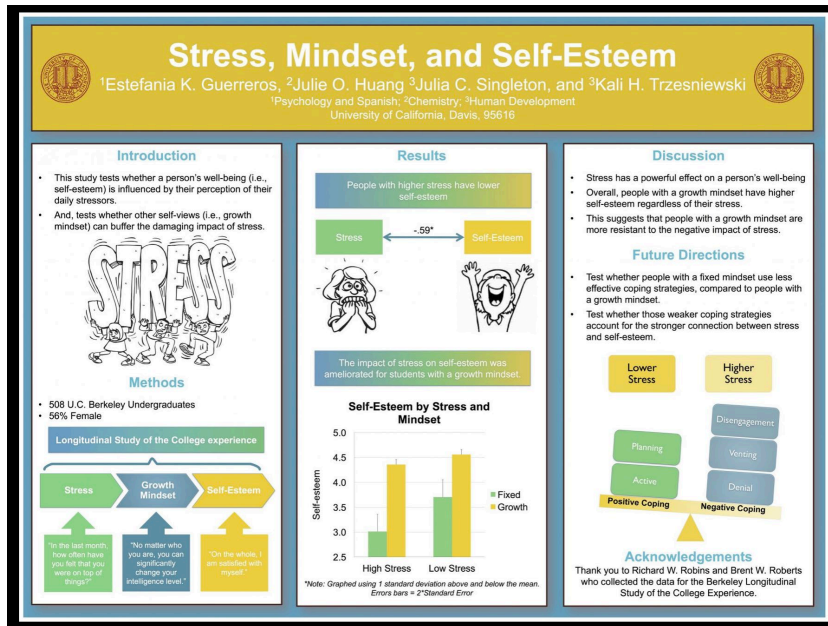
Video Presentation Checklist

- Notify household of recording and duration
- Wear Business Casual clothing
- Practice and review recording
- Edit as needed using features available in selected software
- Save final version into video format (any video file okay)
- Upload video presentation (link will be provided to presenters via email)



Poster Workshop

How to Make an Effective Research Poster



Tue, April 6, 2021, 11:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.

Fri, April 9, 2021, 4:10 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

<https://urc.ucdavis.edu/create-effective-poster>



Public Speaking Workshop

How to Give a Professional Talk



Mon, April 12, 2021, 2:10 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tue, April 13, 2021, 11:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.

<https://urc.ucdavis.edu/info-and-resources-registered-presenters>



Presenter Responsibilities

- Upload video presentation on time
 - Deadline to upload video presentation
Friday, April 23, 2021
- Support fellow student presenters by viewing other video presentations in the virtual conference (become a conference VIP and win prizes!)



Conference VIP Contest

- VIP awards and raffle for students who attend conference and participate
- Watch video presentations and then comment or ask questions
- Opportunities for student presenters and also any student who participates as a viewer/attendee





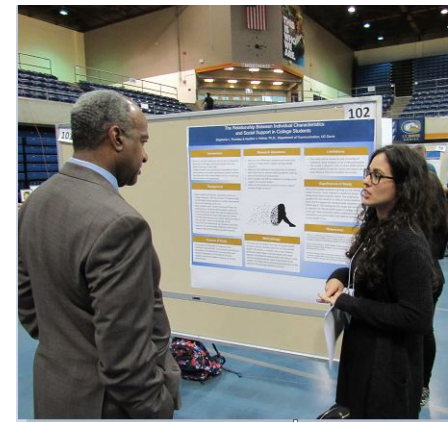
Dress for Success at any Conference

- Tips to Dress for Success:
<https://icc.ucdavis.edu/interview/wear>
- Good things to keep in mind (for any conference):
 - This is an academic setting and conference
 - You are NOT going out to the club
 - Comfort is key
 - You do not need to go out and buy a new outfit



Recognition

- Each presenter will receive an Undergraduate Research Scholar certificate signed by the Chancellor
- Certificates will be sent by email as a PDF





Register to login

- Any UC Davis student, faculty or staff can access the virtual conference if they register with the URC and then login to the virtual conference website
- Presenters, faculty sponsors and faculty moderators will be sent login details automatically
- Guests can also register to login with permission of the presenter (via URC)



Upcoming Research Awards & Deadlines



Provost's Undergraduate Fellowship Award

Due: April 13, 2021 11:59PM

Hanson Family Undergraduate
Publication Award

Due: April 20, 2021 at 11:59 PM



Research Rockstars Video Contest

Due: May 12, 2021 11:59PM



Provost's Undergraduate Fellowship

- Up to \$1,500 in grant funding for undergraduates to pursue research projects or creative activities under faculty supervision
- Application deadline: **April 13, 2021 11:59PM**
 - Applications also taken during the fall quarter
- Must be enrolled student to apply, no graduating seniors



Hanson Family Undergraduate Publication Award

- Recognize peer-reviewed publications of outstanding undergraduate research, scholarship or creative activity
 - Open to all academic disciplines
 - Publication must have DOI (digital object identifier)
- Must be a currently enrolled student (any year!)
- Quick application, just link to your publication and provide info about your contributions to the research.
- \$500 award

Application deadline:
April 20, 2021 at 11:59 PM



Research Rockstars Video Contest

- Undergrad Slam Video Contest for undergraduates to showcase their research, scholarship or design project
- Modeled after the UC Grad Slam
- Make a 3-minute video explaining your research and its impact
- 1st place: \$500, 2nd place: \$300, 3rd place: \$200
- Several categories

Deadline: May 12, 2021 11:59PM



For more questions,
check out the FAQs
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