Call for Abstracts

Deadline: December 1, 2009

The Career Development Center in conjunction with the Graduate School, is presenting:

FROM ABSTRACT TO CONTRACT:

The Third Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium & Career Networking Event Sponsored by the Office of the Provost

Take advantage of this excellent opportunity to develop a poster presentation, practice your presentation skills in front of real judges, and win some prizes along the way.

Eight winners of the poster competition will receive $100, a plaque recognizing their accomplishment, free business cards and their posters will be displayed at the Awards Ceremony.

Research areas are:

- Agriculture  
- Humanities
- Business  
- Life Sciences
- Education  
- Physical Sciences
- Engineering  
- Social Sciences

This is a four-part event for graduate student participants and includes:

- Workshop on Preparing your Research for Presentation (October 27, 2009)
- Workshop on Presenting your Research in a Formal Setting (January 2010)
- Poster Presentation/Competition – practice presenting your poster in a formal conference atmosphere, judged by faculty and graduate students in your general research area, with the public invited to view posters as well. (February 12, 2010)
- Career Development Networking Event and Awards Ceremony – learn about finding a job after graduation, networking tips, interview advice, developing your “30-second commercial” - Winning posters will be displayed at the reception. (February 24, 2010)

Students must submit their registration and abstract online at the Career Development Center website (http://career.uark.edu) by Tuesday, December 1.

For complete, up-to-date information, poster presentation instructions and to register, please go to the Career Development Center website at http://career.uark.edu. Click on the “From Abstract to Contract” link on the main page. If you have any additional questions, contact Diane Cook at the Graduate School (dlcook@uark.edu) or Crystal Hunnicutt at the Career Development Center (chunnicu@uark.edu).

Congratulations to the 2008 Abstract to Contract Winners:

- Agricultural and Life Sciences: Koteswara Ananthamurthy
- Education: Audrey Stone
- Engineering: Sachin Terdalkar
- Physical Sciences: Ahmed El Shafie
- Social Sciences: Kristin Krueger

What can the University Career Development Center do for you?

- Help you develop professional knowledge and skills with the Professional Development Institute (PDI)
- Provide individualized services, including resume/vita reviews, and negotiating job offers
- Provide assistance in learning to market your skills
- Provide interviewing and practice (mock) interviewing opportunities
- Provide many opportunities to connect with potential employers, including eRecruiting
- Provide seminars and online presentations created to help polish your skills and prepare you for graduation
- Create a connection between academia and employment

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