

10th Annual Graduate Academic Conference

Hosted by COGS

"Together We Create, United We Solve: Towards Cross-Disciplinary Knowledge, Research and Application"

Conference Date: Saturday, February 17, 2018

Location: MSU Union

We invite you to submit your abstract for the 2018 Graduate Academic Conference. This year's conference emphasizes interdisciplinary research and communicating to public audiences. Improv and digital presence workshops will be offered to aid graduate and professional students in developing communication skills. The keynote speaker, Dr. Debra Furr-Holden, will address the value of interdisciplinary research and translating research to the public.

Abstract Submission Deadline: December 15th, 2017 **Submit your abstract with <u>the Google form here</u>**.

Abstracts are limited to 250 words for 10-minute oral presentations and poster presentations on the following themes:

Bodies in Motion This session focuses on research that advances understanding of how things move, from the smallest particle to the largest galaxy, and all the bodies in between, including, but not limited to, research from fields of physics, astronomy, engineering, and kinesiology.

Sustainability This session is targeted at research that will guide us through an uncertain future, bridging the knowledge from, but not limited to, research on climate change, the environment, food and water, energy, and business.

Healthy Societies This session is targeted towards research areas that deal with understanding and improving the human experience, including, but not limited to, research from the colleges of Engineering, Social Science, Communication, Arts and Letters, Music, Nursing and Medicine.

Growing Knowledge This session focuses on research regarding cultivating strong minds and bodies of all forms of life (plants and animals), including, but not limited to, research from the colleges of Education, Medicine, Agriculture and Natural Resources, and Natural Science.

Thinking Big This session is targeted at research on novel methods or concepts that utilize cutting edge technology to address emerging issues, including, but not limited to, research from the fields of business, mathematics, and engineering.



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New this year: The Three Minute Thesis Competition (3MT), where students are challenged to present their research in only 3 minutes with a single PowerPoint slide.

Visit <u>our webpage</u> for more details and resources. Submissions of a '3MT Teaser', a 30 second voice recording accompanied by a PowerPoint slide are accepted <u>here</u>.



The top three oral, poster, and 3MT presentations will each be awarded prizes of \$300, \$200, and \$100, respectively.

Thank you,

Graduate Academic Conference Committee

Reach out to us with any questions at: cogsgac@gmail.com

The Council of Graduate Students (COGS) is the constitutionally authorized government representing all graduate and professional students at Michigan State University. COGS actively promotes the improvement of both the individual and collective graduate experience by working with university administrators on a multitude of graduate student issues that range from degree requirements to housing to health care.