

Student Research Posters

Call for Abstracts

33rd Annual Southwest Florida Water Resources Conference

The Cohen Center at Florida Gulf Coast University
Fort Myers, FL
January 26th, 2024

If you conduct research in an area of water resources, consider presenting it on a poster and sharing with us. Visit www.awraflorida.org for more information and to register.

Open to students of all Florida universities, colleges, and secondary schools; and all students conducting water resources research in Florida.

- **Cash prizes**
- **Recognition** from professionals in the field, scholarly researchers, and professional and scholarly societies dedicated to water resources in Florida
- **Opportunity to present**, discuss, and share your research with professionals, researchers, and students from around Florida at a major state-level meeting

Topics

We invite posters on any and all research topics within the broad field of water resources, in disciplines and multidisciplinary fields including:

- Water quality science and engineering
- Watershed management strategies for water quality protection or hydrological impacts
- Aquatic ecosystems and organisms; impacts on ecosystems of human activities
- Watershed hydrology
- Sustainability of water resources
- Resilience of water resources and the build environment
- Groundwater hydrology; aquifer contamination and remediation
- Storm water management for development projects and for municipalities
- Water resources policy and management; sustainable watershed management
- Fisheries management and habitat restoration
- Lakes, wetlands, flowing waters, and estuaries
- Remediation, restoration, and cleanup projects
- Water resource impacts of natural resource extraction
- Land use, BMPs, and water resources planning and protection strategies
- Others! – we are broad minded about relevance to water resources

The Annual Southwest Florida Water Resources Conference brings together researchers, managers, agency staff, consultants, and other interested parties to discuss ongoing scientific research and innovative projects, to share ideas, and to increase awareness of the issues of water supply, water use efficiency, waterbody protections, watershed health, and environmental sustainability facing the world today.

Abstract Submission

Abstracts should be about 350 words.

Submit via email at swflconference@gmail.com by **December 19th, 2023**.

Abstracts received after the deadline may not be accepted.

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Poster Judging Technical Committee, who will invite posters from those abstracts we accept. We judge abstracts highly if they are well-written, describe strong research methods and findings, and relate in some way to one of the many fields of water resources.

Schedule

Abstracts must be submitted by December 19, 2023. Acceptance notifications will be emailed to the student author within three weeks of submission or no later than January 6th, 2024.

Students whose abstracts are accepted are expected to attend and present their poster – at least one student who is a co-author. *Submitting your abstract is considered a commitment to attend.* Please **notify us ASAP if you are prevented from attending** by any unforeseen circumstance. **Students who attend are required to register for the conference.**

Posters can be set up between 7:30 and 9:30 AM. Posters are expected to be available for viewing from 10 AM to 3 PM, and attended by their author(s) during specific times to be announced.

Students are free to attend the technical sessions when they are not expected to be at their posters. This conference is a great learning and networking opportunity for students, so we hope you will take advantage of the technical sessions.

Contest

Posters will be judged by the Poster Judging technical Committee. **Winners will be announced before the end of the conference**, typically by 4 PM.

Posters are scored based on their research ideas and objectives; research design and methods; poster organization, clarity, and presentation; student's understanding of the topics; and relevance to some field of water resources.

Authors of winning posters will be recognized as SWFWRC Student Research Award winners, and receive cash prizes of \$500, \$400, and \$300 for First, Second, and Third place in each of two categories: Graduate Student and Undergraduate/Secondary Student.

For questions or any further details please contact Don Duke , Professor of Environmental Studies at Florida Gulf Coast University, at ldduke@fgcu.edu or 239-590-7542

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American Water Works Association, Florida Section
Audubon of Southwest Florida
Florida Association of Environmental Professionals, Southwest Florida Chapter
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