



**TO:** College of Human Sciences Graduate Students

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**RE:** Call for Abstracts – 20<sup>th</sup> Annual CHS *Research Showcase 2021*

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I encourage you to submit an abstract for the 20<sup>th</sup> annual CHS *Research Showcase* to be held on Friday, 26 February 2021. *Research Showcase* promotes interdisciplinary dissemination of results from College of Human Sciences' graduate student-led research projects. *Research Showcase* is designed to help students build skills in verbally presenting research findings to interdisciplinary and non-scientific audiences.

*Research Showcase* has two presentation formats. The Short Format (5 minutes) allows practice for disseminating research to non-scientific audiences utilizing a single, stationary slide. The Long Format (15 minutes) allows practice for disseminating results to scientific audiences utilizing an unlimited number of slides. If presentations occur in-person, the presenter must adhere to university guidelines in regards to COVID-19 protocol. Presenters\* placing in the top three positions of each presentation format will earn awards:

- 5-minute oral presentation - \$500 for 1<sup>st</sup>, \$300 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and \$150 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place
  - 15-minute oral presentation - \$500 for 1<sup>st</sup>, \$300 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and \$150 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- \* *To be eligible for an award, you must be ready to present at your scheduled time.*

All abstracts should be submitted as an electronic word document, and should be accompanied by a **Presenter Information and signed Permission to Post** form available on the [CHS website](#). Abstract and form are due by 5:00PM EST on Friday, 22 January 2021, to [thartman@fsu.edu](mailto:thartman@fsu.edu).

Please submit a structured abstract matching the criterion for the identified format below. All abstracts should be single-spaced using a sans-serif font like Arial or Helvetica that is no smaller than 11 point. The abstract should begin with a title of the proposed presentation, followed by a list of all authors with the presenter's name underlined. Abstracts are 500 words or less, not including presentation title and authors names.

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<b>Short Format</b>	<b>Long Format</b>
<b>Issue:</b> Public or everyday issue your science addresses.	<b>Introduction:</b> Situate the topic in a scientific or empirical problem.
<b>Problem:</b> Your study's topic and its relevance to the identified issue.	<b>Objective:</b> Statement of aims or hypotheses.
<b>Results:</b> A jargon-free description of study findings.	<b>Method:</b> Overview of sample and procedures
<b>Confidence:</b> Explanation why the audience should accept the results.	<b>Results:</b> Summary of key results.
<b>Conclusions:</b> Logical implication of results for the identified issue.	<b>Conclusions:</b> Application of results to scientific or empirical problem.

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Final decisions as to mode of presentation (short oral vs. long oral), will depend on the number of abstracts accepted, the research topic, authorship and the presenter's format preference. You will be notified of selection no later than 12 February 2021.