CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Poster Competition and Three Minute Thesis (3MT®)
April 6-10, 2020

As a part of the activities celebrating Graduate Student Appreciation Week, April 6-10, 2020, the School of Graduate Studies, Research and Continuing Education will host its Annual Research Competitions on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 and Wednesday, April 8, 2020. All master’s and doctoral students are invited to participate in the Research Poster competition by submitting an abstract of 300 words or less and one static slide to the Graduate Student Appreciation Week Blackboard Portal. Abstracts should be in a Microsoft Word document and must contain the title of your research, full name of the presenter, and department, school, or college.

Research Poster Competition

The research poster competition will take place on Tuesday April 7, 2020 at 10 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom. Graduate students are responsible for printing their own posters for the poster competition! Posters must be formatted in PowerPoint with dimensions of 36 by 48 inches. Students must upload their 300 word or less abstract & slides to the Graduate Student Appreciation Week Blackboard Portal under research poster assignment. Students must set up their posters on Monday April 6, 2020 between 4:00-5:00 p.m.

3MT™ Competition

The Three-Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition will take place on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom. The 3MT celebrates the exciting research that is being conducted by our master’s and doctoral students. Developed by the University of Queensland, this exercise cultivates students’ academic, presentation, and research communication skills. The competition supports their capacity to effectively explain their research in three minutes, in a language appropriate to a non-specialist audience using a single static PowerPoint slide that will be displayed during their three-minute presentation. The slide must not contain animations, transitions, video or audio files, and it must be submitted to the 2020 Graduate Student Appreciation Week Blackboard Portal under the “3MT” assignment. If you have questions please send an email to gradstudies@famu.edu. Please visit www.threeminutethesis.org/ for more information on the 3MT™ Competition.
Awards
The prizes for the winners of both competitions will be as follows:

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<td>1st Place: $500</td>
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Submission Deadline

The abstract for the 3MT and poster competitions must be received by 5 p.m., Friday, March 20, 2020. A Single PowerPoint slide must accompany the abstract.

Please remember to indicate to which competition you are entering (students may compete in both competitions):

- Annual 3MT™ Competition
- Graduate Research Poster Competition

Abstract Selection and Notification

Students whose abstracts have been accepted for the competitions, will be notified via email by Monday, March 30, 2020.

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Deadlines and Dates at-a-Glance

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2020 Florida Statewide Graduate Student Research Symposium

The Florida Statewide Graduate Student Research Symposium will be hosted by the University of Central Florida on April 14-16, 2020. If you would like to present your research and represent FAMU, please participate in the poster and or 3MT competition. The cost of attendance and travel will be covered by the School of Graduate Studies, Research and

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Continuing Education. The selected students will be endorsed by the Associate Provost and Dean of Graduate Education. Additional information will be provided for accepted students.

How to join the Blackboard course for abstract submissions

Step 1) Login using your FAMU username and password.
Step 2) Click “Community” at the top of the Blackboard page.
Step 3) On the left hand-side menu you will see folders. One of the folders is “Graduate Studies,” click that.
Step 4) Click the drop down menu next to the Graduate Student Appreciation Week course (GSAW_001) to self-enroll.
Step 5) During the self-enrollment process the system will ask for a pass code.
Step 6) Please use: 1887.

Once these steps are completed the GSAW_001 will show up under your courses.

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