

The University of Georgia
Graduate Student Association
2012 Interdisciplinary Conference
Call for Abstracts

The University of Georgia Graduate Student Association (GSA) is proud to host the 12th Annual Graduate Student Interdisciplinary Conference at the Student Tate Center in Athens, GA, Friday, March 23, 2012. The theme for this year's conference is "Crossing Boundaries: Collaborative Research". The focus of the conference is to bring together diverse avenues of graduate research that pushes the envelope and provides a platform for students to discuss their research topics.

In order to achieve this goal, we invite graduate students to submit abstracts for presentations, panel discussions, or poster displays. Please choose a selection from the three options that would best present your area of research. This year, we are proud to feature an *Interdisciplinary Workshop* designed to bring together researchers to discuss a current problem in the local or global society. In addition, we have a fantastic line up of speakers the morning and roundtable lunch discussions.

To submit abstracts for presentations, panel discussions, or poster display sessions, please go to www.ugagsa.org and complete your online submission. The deadline for all submissions is February 10, 2012. The submission fee for abstracts is \$15. Fees cover presenter breakfast, lunch, and conference expenses. However, the UGA GSA Interdisciplinary Conference is free to all non-presenter attendees. Please register to attend the conference by visiting www.ugagsa.org.

Abstracts may be based on original research, methodological or conceptual pieces and will be peer reviewed for the following: relevance to the theme, clarity in purpose of study, methods used, clarity in conclusions/ findings and the significance of the study, within the respective disciplines.

If you would like to volunteer for the conference, the GSA is looking for support to help with logistics, production, moderating, etc., please contact Samarchith Kurup at samar@uga.edu

The best three abstracts (poster or oral) presented at the conference will be awarded special prizes and citations.

Guidelines for submitting the abstracts

- Abstracts should be limited to 400 words, excluding the title.
- Submit your abstract title, abstract authors and abstract text using upper- and lower-case letters. Please do not use all upper-case letters when entering your abstract.
- When entering author names, enter the author's family name first, followed by the given name.
- Submit your abstract as one paragraph. Do not use embedded headings within your abstract such as Introduction, Methods, Results, etc.
- Abstract acceptance notices will be sent to the e-mail address on file by mid-February, 2012
- Abstracts submitted after February 10 until Feb 17, 2012 may also be considered for presentation based on availability of slots, as either oral or poster late breakers with an increased submission fee of \$20.