REGISTER NOW!
Student Research & Community Engagement Symposium
Tuesday, April 18, 2017, 12 pm – 4 pm
UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center
50 Warren Street, Lowell
www.uml.edu/StudentResearchSymposium

Open to all UML undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students, this annual event is an excellent opportunity for students to present their research and community engagement activities to members of the UML community. Join us to celebrate your research accomplishments and network with fellow students, faculty, alumni, guests and industry experts!

WAYS TO PARTICIPATE:

1. **Judged Poster Presentation Competition (12-2pm)**
   This three-minute presentation, judged by a 2-4 person panel comprising industry experts and members of the extended UML community, requires students to communicate their research with only one PowerPoint slide. A brief 2-minute question and answer session follows each presentation. Cash prizes will be awarded to top presenters. The judging rubric is available on the website (see Presenter & Judging Guidelines).

2. **Non-Judged Poster Session/Reception (2-4pm)**
   This is a non-competitive opportunity for students to share their research and community engagement activities with the UML community. Poster participants should be prepared to interact with attendees who stop to view their poster, and answer questions about their research and community engagement activities. “Fan Favorite Awards” will be announced at the conclusion of the Poster Session/Reception.

3. **Support your fellow students as an Event Participant!** All students are welcome to attend! Support your colleagues by attending the judged Poster Presentation Competition (12-2 pm) and/or enjoy the Poster Session/Reception (2-4 pm) while networking with fellow students, faculty, industry partners, alumni & guests.

NEXT STEPS:
This event is **free** but all students are required to register on-line at www.uml.edu/StudentResearchSymposium. Students participating in the Poster Presentation Competition and/or the Poster Session must also:

- Submit an abstract (up to 250 words) describing their research/community engagement activities and findings. If you are part of a group submission, the lead author/presenter is responsible for submitting the abstract. Abstracts will be forwarded to your faculty advisor for approval.
- Once the abstract is approved, students will be invited to submit their poster in the format of a PowerPoint slide. The PPT slide will be displayed for those students participating in the Poster Presentation Competition and printed as a 36”x42” poster for those participating in the Poster Session.
- All approved abstracts will be printed in the 2017 Abstract Booklet.

Visit the Student Research Symposium website: “Abstract Guidelines” and “Poster Guidelines” for more information.

DEADLINES:

- Friday, March 31, 5 pm: Abstracts Due (required for the Poster Presentation Competition & the Poster Session)
- Friday, April 7, 11 pm: Posters Due (in PowerPoint Format; will be used to create competition slide & poster)
- Friday, April 14, 5 pm: Deadline to pick up posters at the Research & Innovation Office (Cumnock Hall, Room 109, North Campus). Students are responsible for bringing their poster to the Symposium.

Questions? Email: student_symposium@uml.edu or call Sharon Freeman at 978-934-2189