General Description & Instructions:

We are delighted to be offering an in-person research symposium for 2022, and we are excited to showcase all of the exciting work being done by our students. The ADVS faculty believe it is valuable for students engaged in research to attend this symposium because it offers each of our students the opportunity to present their own research in front of a live audience and get feedback. This experience is critical for research student development, as it more closely emulates the experience of presenting at a regional, national, or international scientific conference. For this reason, attendance and participation in the ADVS Students Research Symposium is a requirement for all ADVS graduate students, ADVS undergraduate interns, and SVM summer research students. Please plan to attend and present your research at the Life Sciences Building on Friday, August 5, 2022. The official event schedule, grading rubrics, and further details are forthcoming. If you have additional questions or concerns regarding this event, please contact Dr. Shawn Zimmerman (shawn.zimmerman@usu.edu) or Cara Allen (cara.allen@usu.edu; 435-797-1514).

Oral Presentations:

Mid to late-stage graduate students are invited to give a live presentation that is 10 minutes in length with 3 minutes open for questions. These presentations will be given to a live audience and also broadcast live over Zoom (if given permission) for those who cannot attend in person. Oral presentations will be recorded and posted on the Canvas page unless the student indicates that they would not like their presentation recorded. Please discuss this in advance with your mentor. This category will be reviewed by invited judges, who will rank the presenters and give written feedback.

Poster Presentations:

Undergraduate students, SVM students, and early-stage graduate students are invited to prepare and present a printed poster that will be put on display for symposium attendees. All poster presenters will be scheduled in approximately 45-minute sessions during which attendees can come and hear your overview of the research and ask any questions. This category will be reviewed by invited judges, who will rank the presenters and give written feedback.

Pre-Recorded Mini Presentations (“3-Minute Thesis”):

Graduate students nearing graduation are invited to give a 3-minute, pre-recorded, mini presentation (AKA “3-Minute Thesis”). Using Zoom, students will put together just a few slides (1-3) to briefly explain their research project and major findings. Mini presentations will be recorded and posted on the Canvas page unless the student indicates that they would not like their presentation recorded. Please discuss this in advance with your mentor. These talks will also be played on a loop during the research symposium, so that all attendees can watch and vote for their favorite presentations. Written feedback from attendees will also be provided (if given).