

WIU Graduate Research Conference

Guidelines for Participation

Participation in the Graduate Research Conference (GRC) poster, podium, and performance sessions is open to all Western Illinois University graduate students. Participants must submit an abstract and participation information, which also confirms that they have read and understood these guidelines, by **February 19, 2024**. Please read the following and refer to the [Instructions for Abstract Submission](#) before submitting abstract and participation information. Students who submit an abstract agree to present if accepted.

Conference Professionalism

1. Be prepared to answer questions about your presentation.
2. Stay within your designated time limit.
3. Dress appropriately—business casual attire is appropriate for this event (performers should dress as is professional/appropriate to their performance).
4. Be prepared to have your photograph taken for newspapers, websites, etc.
5. Network with faculty, presenters, and other students at the conference—attend other sessions and ask questions.

Missing Classes

Arrangements for class absence must be made in advance of the Graduate Research Conference — please notify your instructors and make arrangements for missed classes or other obligations.

A Special Note to Those Doing Human Subjects Research

If you have questions about your compliance under federal guidelines regarding human, animal, or radiological research, please contact the IRB Administrator, at 309-298-1191 or IRBAdministrator@wiu.edu.

We look forward to seeing you and the results of your work at the Graduate Research Conference on March 29, 2024. The guidelines for each kind of presentation below (poster, podium, and performance) are intended to help you prepare for your presentation. Should you have any questions or comments regarding presentations, please contact your faculty mentor or Dr. Kishor Kapale, KT-Kapale@wiu.edu.

Poster Presentation

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is paramount. Please follow poster presentation content conventions in your discipline (consult with your faculty mentor).

3. Presenters should bring their own files with thumb drives at the time of their podium session as back up.

Performance Presentation

The performance sessions are forums for creative presentations and may be supplemented by audio/visual expressions or multimedia aids. Presenters may submit solo or in coordination with others as part of a pre-formed performance session. Each performance session will be scheduled for 60 minutes. This time includes set up, brief introduction, performance, and questions at the end for all presenters in the session. Once notified of acceptance, presenters should coordinate and confirm their time limits, including set up and introduction. Those who submit solo will be assigned to a session of two and notified accordingly.

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