Best Student Paper & Poster Competition

Looking to communicate your research to a wide audience? Looking for important accolades to improve your resume? Interested in winning cash ($450)?

What?
The Best Student Paper & Poster (BSP) competition is an AFS-level award sponsored by the Education Section of the AFS. A panel of judges evaluates pre-recorded talks before the meeting so that winners can be announced at the 153rd annual meeting in Grand Rapids, MI.

Who?
Undergraduate and graduate students that would like to present projects at or nearing completion. All students presenting at the meeting are eligible.

Where?
The BSP award is in conjunction with the AFS annual meeting in Grand Rapids, MI. Students who submit a regular abstract to participate in any meeting symposium can also apply for consideration as the Best Student Paper or Poster award.

How to participate in the BSP

1. Submit abstract and advisor email by 5/5/2023
2. Finalists will be selected and notified by June
3. Submit recorded presentation to hamel@uga.edu by 8/6/2023
4. Judges view presentations between 8/7-8/20
5. Winners announced at the meeting and prize money delivered

For more information, including abstract examples, go to the “Best Student Presentation and Poster Awards” page: https://education.fisheries.org/awards/best-student-presentation-and-poster/

We look forward to reviewing your applications. If you have questions, please contact your 2023 BSP co-chairs:
- Marty Hamel (hamel@uga.edu)
- Dan Shoup (Daniel.shoup@okstate.edu)
- Kyle Hartman (Kyle.Hartman@mail.wvu.edu)

- Submit your paper or poster to AFS by the deadline (4/14/2023)
- Oral presenters must submit an extended abstract by 5/5/2023
- Poster presenters need only email a standard abstract by 5/5/2023
- Oral and poster presenters must have their major advisor email to indicate the study is at a stage appropriate for this award (at, nearing, or recently [<1 year] completed)
- Finalists are selected from a panel of judges
- Finalists submit pre-recorded presentations for final judging; 15 minutes for paper and 5 min for poster

Advisor email and appropriate abstract must be submitted to hamel@uga.edu by 5/5/2023.