



2017 Lyle Research Days

Instructions for Creating and Presenting a Poster

A research poster is a graphic presentation of an author's research. Authors illustrate their topic and findings by displaying graphs, photos, diagrams and a small amount of text on poster boards and discuss the work with interested people.

All Lyle students involved in research are encouraged to present a poster summarizing their work during Lyle Research Days. These posters will be viewed by the Lyle Executive Board members (senior executives from engineering industry) and by Lyle's faculty and students in all departments. This is an opportunity to (1) show your exciting work to others and generate interest in it, (2) learn how to explain and present your ideas clearly and briefly to people outside of your specialty area, and (3) have your efforts recognized around the school and possibly win a \$150 gift certificate.

How to participate

1. Submit your research project abstract for acceptance to this event
2. When accepted, begin preparation of your research poster (see instructions below) and brief presentation to give people that are interested in your poster
3. Attend a session given by the Hart Center for Engineering Leadership to have your poster evaluated, get feedback on your short presentation, and have your poster printed for free.
4. Have your poster printed and get mounting materials from the dean's office
5. On the evening of Thursday, November 16th, come set up your poster in Caruth Hall and visit with members of the Lyle Executive board when they stop to hear about your work
6. On Friday, November 17th, come present your poster to Lyle students, faculty, and judges in the same way as before. Once the judges complete their work, the winner from each department will be announced and presented with a certificate and gift card. This starts at 11:00 and is usually over by 1:30. (All presenters must attend the poster session on Thursday evening and Friday to be eligible for awards.)

How to prepare a poster

1. Use PowerPoint or LaTeX to prepare your poster on a computer. Two PowerPoint templates are available, but are not required to be used.
2. A poster will be attached to a thick backing board (provided by Lyle) that is 40" x 42", and can be displayed in horizontal (landscape) or vertical (portrait) form. A poster should be close to this size.
3. The Hart Center has graciously offered to provide (a) feedback on poster presentations and (b) poster printing at a date and location to be announced.