

2025

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INFORMATION

SESSION

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1 CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Find out what, when & where the conference is, as well as who is eligible to apply

2 REASONS TO APPLY

What's the point? Find out all of the benefits you will gain from presenting at the MassURC

3 GETTING STARTED

Interested in applying? We will help you every step of the way; don't miss a thing with the help of our presenter resources

4 QUESTIONS

We will open the session to answer questions from you all!

CONFERENCE
OVERVIEW



WHAT

IS THE MASSURC?

- A **one-day, in-person** conference where undergraduate students present research, share knowledge, and learn from fellow students.
- The MassURC brings together students from twenty-eight public colleges and universities within the Commonwealth!



WHEN

IS THE MASSURC?



- This year's conference will be held on **April 18th, 2025**.
- It takes place over the course of a day, with different poster sessions and speeches happening, with a reception at the end.

WHERE IS THE MASSURC?

- The MassURC will be **in-person!**
- Allows for broader access for students from across the Commonwealth to attend.
- The conference will be taking place in the Campus Center!



WHO

CAN APPLY?

- Any undergraduate involved in research that attends any of the public institutions in MA!
- Can be any form of research:
 - Example: any project, independent study, creative work or community service experience.
- Open to all areas of study!
 - The MassURC has showcased over sixty subject areas.



HOW

DO I APPLY?

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1 GET INFORMATION

You've already completed the first step by attending this info session! Follow our socials to stay up-to-date on deadlines.

3 SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT

Beginning on November 22nd (Friday!), you can create a MassURC Hub account to submit an abstract, outlining your research!

2 IDENTIFY YOUR SUPPORT TEAM

Identify a Faculty Sponsor to work directly with on your presentation materials! Find your Campus Contact, the point person from your institution for the MassURC.

4 PREPARE FOR CONFERENCE

Leading up to the conference day, you will prepare a poster to present in-person at UMass Amherst's Campus Center.

YOUR SUPPORT TEAM



1 FACULTY SPONSOR

- A faculty member who supports students with all aspects of preparation.
- In order to present, students must have a faculty sponsor.
- Faculty sponsors must review initial abstract submission and mark it "Approved" or "Needs Revision."

2 CAMPUS CONTACT

- The "go-to" person for undergraduate student presenters and faculty who have questions about the MassURC.
- Each of the 28 schools included in the MassURC has at least one campus contact who acts as a link between their campus and the conference coordinator at UMass Amherst.

Presenter

RESOURCES



MASSURC HUB


- One-stop-shop for all MassURC information.
- Connect your calendar to stay on track!

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MASSURC HUB

Welcome to the MassURC Hub!

We're excited for your interest in the 30th Massachusetts Undergraduate Research Conference (MassURC), where students from across Massachusetts come together to present original research in their respective field of study. If you are interested in presenting or are serving as a Faculty Sponsor, please make sure you register to create a user account.

The [MassURC Hub](#) is where you will register for the conference, submit, revise, and review abstracts. In addition, [MassURC Hub](#) will be your resource for live schedules, searching, notifications, and updates on conference day.

To Register



Connect your calendar with ours!

INFO SESSIONS

- We have three info sessions coming up between now and the day of the conference, more details coming soon!
- Recordings of past info sessions + slides are posted on the MassURC Hub.

WHY SHOULD I
APPLY?



Resume Building

Being able to show on your resume that you've presented at a research conference shows focus and resilience in getting your research to a point where it can be presented!

Networking

Meet other undergraduate students who are conducting research in similar areas of study!

Relevant Experience

Presenting at the MassURC gives you the opportunity to develop your public speaking and networking skills, something not a lot of opportunities do!

Sharing Your Ideas

You've most likely been working on your research for a long time. The MassURC is an amazing opportunity to show off all the hard work you've been putting in!



QUESTIONS?

Still have questions?
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SEE YOU ON APRIL 18TH!

