EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS
Announcement and Call for Papers

10th Annual Research Symposium
Sponsored by the College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology
and
The Texas Juvenile Crime Prevention Center

A Decade of Excellence in Research: Cultivating Intellectual Growth

April 9, 2014
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Prairie View A&M University
College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology
Don K. Clark Building
Prairie View, Texas

The 10th Annual Research Symposium sponsored by the College of Juvenile Justice & Psychology and the Texas Juvenile Crime Prevention Center at Prairie View A&M University are accepting abstract submissions for posters, papers, panel discussions and workshops. The theme for this year’s event is A Decade of Excellence in Research: Cultivating Intellectual Growth and as such, we welcome presentations, workshops, and panel discussions that have the potential of affecting people’s lives. The purpose and goal of the symposium is to showcase both student and faculty research that spans academic disciplines. Thus, we invite submissions from faculty and students from all disciplines.

Symposium Participation Options: We welcome abstract submissions for posters, papers, workshops, or panel discussions.
**Posters:** Poster sessions are scheduled in 50-minute blocks to allow for posting and removal. Easels are provided for presenters. Students and faculty are encouraged to present the findings of their research and be prepared to discuss their research with symposium attendees.

**Paper Presentations:** As an alternative to a poster presentation, participants may submit abstracts for a paper presentation of their research work. We will group accepted papers together by similarity of content into sessions. Presenters in each session will have 15 minutes for their individual paper presentations. Each session will also include a 15 minute question and answer period, led by a session moderator. We will provide presentation equipment if needed.

**Workshops/Panel Discussions:** Workshops or panel discussions are arenas in which specialized topics can be discussed by individuals with specialized knowledge or expertise in the topic area. No formal papers or presentations are made but rather a topic is explored by experts in the field. Student-focused mentoring workshops (i.e., dissertations, theses, career advice, etc.) provided by faculty or upper-level students are welcome as well.

**Student Paper and Poster Competition:**

**Paper competition:** Students will receive an award for the best paper presentation. Students who wish to enter this competition should submit their completed paper (maximum of 25 double-spaced pages, written in APA style, to include a title page, a review of the literature, methods section, results section, reference section and if necessary, figures, tables, and graphs) by 5:00 p.m. on March 20, 2014. On the title page, presenters should indicate whether they are graduate, undergraduate, or a high school senior student. Submit papers in PDF format to Dr. Julian Scott at jlscott@pvamu.edu.

**Poster competition:** One graduate, one undergraduate and one high school senior student will receive an award for best poster presentation. During the poster sessions, judges will evaluate the appearance and quality of the poster, the quality of the research methodology and design, the content of the poster, and the student’s presentation style.

**Deadline for Abstract Submissions:** All abstracts should be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18th, 2014 for consideration in the programming. We will not accept late submissions. Please see below for the format of the proposal submissions.

**Abstract Submission Content (submitted in pdf format):**

- Name and contact information (email address and/or telephone number) for presenter
  (indicate whether you are faculty, graduate, undergraduate student, high school senior or other)
- Co-presenters names and contact information (email address and/or telephone number)
• Submission type: Paper, Poster, or Discussion/Workshop Panels
• Indicate whether or not you wish to enter into the paper/poster competition
• Title of work
• Abstract (maximum of 150 words)

Submit abstracts electronically to Mr. Michael Royster at mdroyster@pvamu.edu. All submissions must adhere to the submission format described above.

The committee will notify submitters regarding the acceptance of his/her abstract for presentation at this year’s event by March 25th, 2014.

NOTE: To make sure things are done in a timely manner, students who are using PowerPoints with their presentations should arrive 10 minutes early to upload it to the computer.

**Directions for Poster Presentations:**

Only easels will be provided at the Don K. Clark Building. No other materials to construct posters will be available at the college.

We recommend a maximum poster size of 4 feet wide and 3 feet high.

All posters must remain on easels throughout the designated session. They may be removed only after the end of your session.

No posters for which abstracts were not submitted may be displayed. There will be enough easels and space to accommodate the posters for which abstracts were submitted. No outside easels may be brought into the rotunda.

You will be assigned a card with a number that corresponds to your easel during registration. Place this card on the upper right-hand corner of your poster so that the poster can be seen easily. If the card cannot be seen readily, your poster will not be evaluated for the award. There will be only one easel per poster and EASELS ARE NOT TO BE MOVED. A poster monitor will be present in the rotunda at all times.

**Area and Accommodation Information**

If you are coming from out of the area and would like information on area accommodations, please contact Grady Paris, J.D. at gmparis@pvamu.edu or (936) 261-5211.