Frequently Asked Questions

What is a virtual conference?
A virtual conference is hosted entirely over the Internet. It will allow attendees to access presentations from their computers. Attendees participate through a conference website designed specifically for the virtual conference. The site is where you will view poster presentations and oral presentations.

What are the technical requirements needed to participate?
To participate, you need an Internet connection and web browser in your computer. For the best viewing experience, we recommend that you join the symposium using a supported Internet browser, which includes Google Chrome, Firefox, and Safari. Internet Explorer is not recommended as some functions, such as chat, are not fully supported.

Is there a cost to register for the conference?
No, the virtual conference is free of cost.

What time does the conference start?
The link to the virtual symposium will open on April 1, 2021 at 9:00 AM (Central Standard Time). Convert to your local time here: https://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/meeting.html

Is this virtual conference open to visual and performing arts students?
Yes! We love to have visual and performing arts students participate in the symposium. You can register to exhibit photos of your work or videos of performances.

Can I attend if I am not presenting?
Most definitely! We would love to have you visit our virtual showcase of student projects. You will be able to log in to support your friends and classmates or simply visit the virtual gallery to see what all the talk is about.

Can I submit a poster and abstract as a team?
Yes, for students working in a research team you can submit the abstract and list all of the co-presenter(s). While all research co-presenters may be listed on the abstract, only one student can present at the conference. If you want to make a group presentation, please let us know in advance.

What types of research can I present at the symposium?
Your research should be conducted under the guidance of your faculty mentor/advisor. This includes, but is not limited to, experimental design, case studies, randomized controlled trials, systematic reviews, meta-analysis, cross-sectional studies, ethnographic research, phenomenological research, etc.

What research topics can I present at the symposium?
The 2021 CISR will bring together students from a wide variety of backgrounds to explore issues of police reform, food security, institutional systemic racism, disaster relief, climate change, educational disparities and inequities, cybersecurity issues, public health, and a host of other issues related to this year’s theme: *Globalized Governance: Improving Community Well-being and Trust.*

**What format is my presentation?**
Both undergraduate and graduate students will participate in the poster/PowerPoint in a data blitz format.

**Will participants receive feedback on their presentations?**
Yes, the judges will complete an evaluation. Individual feedback will be disseminated to after the conclusion of the event, if desired.