<p style="text-align:center">Student Research Day 2025
Submission Guidelines</p>

Purpose

Student Research Day showcases and celebrates the faculty-mentored scholarly and creative achievements of MacEwan University students across all Faculties, Schools, and disciplines. It is intended to foster a teaching and learning environment that supports critical and innovative thinking as part of a flourishing and robust scholarly culture. Student Research Day provides students with the opportunity to develop presentation skills that may support graduate school applications and prepare them for future careers in academia, the public/private sector, creative industries, and the community.

Participation

The eligibility guidelines to participate in Student Research Day are as follows:

- Any current or recently graduated MacEwan student with a faculty mentor may participate.
- Students may present on projects completed at MacEwan University. This includes work completed as an Undergraduate Student Research Initiative (USRI) grant or Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Undergraduate Student Research Award recipient, Capstone student, undergraduate research assistant, Honours student and/or work completed as part of coursework or independent studies.
- Presentations and projects should list the student as the first author.

Presentation Format

Presentations may be for a range of projects including, but not limited to: honours thesis, independent study, other coursework, research assistant work (paid or volunteer), community service learning, community-based research, business cases, art and design creation, music compositions and performances, clinical research, scientific experiments, and other scholarly or creative work done as part of a program's goals and objectives. Presentations should address the aim of the project and what is important about the results.

All contributors and funding sources for projects should be acknowledged (e.g., community or industry partners, USRI Grant Fund, SSHRC, NSERC, Alberta Arts Council, etc.). Presentations of any format should also acknowledge faculty mentors, community partners, and indicate if animal and/or human research ethics approval has been granted.

All presentation materials (posters, PowerPoints, abstracts, other modalities) should list the student as the **first author**.

1. **Oral Presentations** – Each student in this category will be required to conduct one oral presentation, including a question-and-answer session. **Presentation durations are determined by academic departments; please consult with your faculty mentor if you are unsure about the time duration of your presentation.** Presentations may include the use of visual aids such as PowerPoint slides, performance materials, or other

modalities such as Canva, Piktochart, or other visual aid programs. If desired, tips and strategies are available here: [MacEwan University library](). Note: **All presentation times include Q&A.**

2. **Poster Presentations** – Scholarly poster sessions will take place during two sessions. Students will be provided a time slot and will be expected to stand with their posters at that time and to interact with people interested in their scholarly work. Posters cannot be larger than 36" tall by 48" wide. If desired, tips and strategies are available here [MacEwan University library]().

3. **Creative Installations or Performances** – Creative installations or performances may include various forms of original scholarship in the arts such as fine art, design, theatre, or music composition. A detailed description of the student's proposed installation or presentation should be included in the application abstract. Students should include, in their application under "Technical Requirements or Special Considerations", other relevant information such as dimensions, space, and technical requirements after consulting with their faculty mentor.

4. **Project Displays and Other Showcases of Scholarly Activity** – A detailed description of a proposed display or other showcase should be included in the application abstract/artist statement. Students should include in their application, under "Technical Requirements or Special Considerations", other relevant information such as dimensions, space, and technical requirements.

Application Information

Applications will be open from January 6 to March 14, 2025. Applications should be submitted using the application form found on [MacEwan.ca/StudentResearchDay](). Applications will be reviewed for approval shortly after the application deadline.

Please note, the work you are applying to present does not need to be completed by the submission deadline. The completion date is set by your faculty mentor, but all work should be ready to be presented by April 11, 2025. Students are advised to be available to present at any time on the event day, as specific scheduling requests are not guaranteed.

If you have questions about the application guidelines, application form, or need to request a change to a submitted working title or abstract/artist statement, please email [srd@macewan.ca]().