2024 RAISE Grant Summer Conference

Deadlines

- Submissions will be open August 19th through August 30th
- The top five submissions will be determined the week of September 2nd
- The top five presenters will go on to compete for a selected number of prizes yet to be determined.

Summer Conference Engagement

All Interns Will Be Expected to Attend

- The top five students will be asked to present on stage, illustrating their PowerPoint slide will also take place.
- Students who do not reach the top five will be given a poster stand and location to present their poster to their peers.
- Posters will be printed free of charge by university employees.
- If you are not a returning student in the Fall 2024 semester you may be excluded from participation.

Preliminary Round

- The Preliminary Round consists of recorded presentations that will be reviewed by judges and a virtual audience to advance top-scoring participants to the University Final.
- Your presentation must be three minutes or less
- You can only use one, static, PowerPoint slide (widescreen or 16:9 format) to aid your presentation
- No additional props are permitted

Presentation Rules

- A single static PowerPoint slide is permitted (no slide transitions, animations or "movement" of any description are allowed. The slide is to be presented from the beginning of the oration).
- You may include images, diagrams, or text to help illustrate your internship experience. If you are unsure if an image is copyrighted, please check with your chair or a librarian.
- No additional electronic media (e.g., sound and video files) are permitted.
- No additional props (e.g., costumes, musical instruments, laboratory equipment, notes, laser pointers) are permitted.

- Presentations are limited to 3 minutes maximum and competitors exceeding 3 minutes are disqualified.
- Presentations are to be spoken word (e.g., no poems, raps, or songs).
- Presentations are considered to have commenced when a presenter starts their presentation through movement or speech.

Judging Criteria

Comprehension and Content

- Did the presentation provide an understanding of the background and experience being addressed while explaining terminology and avoiding jargon?
- Did the presentation clearly describe the impact and/or results of the internship, including conclusions and outcomes?
- Did the presentation follow a clear and logical sequence?
- Was the internship result, significance, and outcomes communicated in language appropriate to a nonspecialist audience?
- Did the presenter spend adequate time on each element of their presentation, or did they elaborate for too long on one aspect, or was the presentation rushed?

Engagement and Communication

- Did the oration make the audience want to know more?
- Was the presenter careful not to be redundant and hold the audience's attention?
- Did the presenter convey enthusiasm for their internship experience?
- Did the presenter capture and maintain their audience's attention?
- Did the presenter have sufficient stage presence, eye contact and vocal range; maintain a steady pace; and have a confident stance?
- Did the PowerPoint slide enhance the presentation - was it clear, legible, and concise?