**CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

**5th Annual Promoting Undergraduate Research Conference**

**for Faculty, Staff and Administrators**

Sponsored by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

**September 26, 2014** (8:30 am to 4:00 pm)

Presbyterian Health Foundation Conference Center

(655 Research Parkway, OKC)

**PROMOTING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH MODELS AT EVERY LEVEL:**

**INQUIRY, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, ASSESSMENT AND RETENTION**

Research and creative activities provide the critical opportunity for students to fully engage in their education, facilitating a journey of discovery that bridges the gap between knowledge and experience. The 2014 conference will revisit effective models of inquiry with a focus on community engagement, effective models of assessment of undergraduate research outcomes and student retention, and examine student research projects illustrating these models.

The conference will be organized into three categories of panel presentations:

1. ***Faculty and Administrators*** sharing **Models of Undergraduate Community Engagement and Inquiry:** If you have experience with a model of developing undergraduate student inquiry through research, especially focusing on and engaging in the community, please consider joining this panel to share your model and insight. We are looking for novel and/or effective approaches designed to encourage students to engage in community-based research in a wide variety of contexts. Presentation: 15-20 minutes.
2. ***Faculty and Administrators*** sharing **Models of Undergraduate Research Program Assessment:** If you have experience with assessment of undergraduate student research program outcomes, please consider joining this panel to share your model and insight. We are looking for effective approaches designed to provide quantifiable and qualitative assessment models. Presentation: 15-20 minutes.
3. ***Students*** sharing**Perspectives on Research:** The conference steering committee is seeking undergraduates representing all tiers of higher education who will share their perspectives on their research focusing in the community in the areas of arts, agriculture, humanities, journalism, business, behavioral science, education, and STEM topics. We are seeking a total of 12-15 students (4-5 for each Student Panel listed in the schedule below). Presentation: 7-10 minutes.

**Presentation at the Promoting Undergraduate Research Conference** – Faculty and administrator panels will be approximately 75 minutes in length with part of the time set aside for questions and dialogue. Presentations may include PowerPoint slides for visual support of major concepts and findings. Projectors and computers will be provided. If three panelists comprise the panel, each panelist will have approximately 15 minutes for their presentation and 10 minutes for Q&A. More or less time will be available if more or fewer panelists are selected.

**Guidelines:** Conference registration for all presenters and Presentation proposals for faculty and administrator panels must…

Be submitted at<http://www.okhighered.org/grant-opps/ug-student-research.shtml> no later than September 5, 2014. If you have questions before, you may contact[**Lmason@osrhe.edu**](mailto:Lmason@osrhe.edu)**.**

**The online form will ask you to:**

* Provide an abstract of no more than 100-150 words (faculty/administrator panels only).
* Provide basic contact information.
* Include a one-paragraph biography (all presenters).
* Specify the target panel:
  + Models of Undergraduate Community Engagement and Inquiry (Inquiry)
  + Models of Undergraduate Research Assessment (Assessment)
  + Undergraduate Researcher (Student)

**Selection Criteria** – The Steering Committee will select faculty and administrator proposals considering the broadest representation of undergraduate research assessment and inquiry models from across the state. We are seeking clear and replicable methodology for the assessment and inquiry models. We aim to include a wide range of disciplines from the natural and social sciences to the humanities and arts. We are not looking for proposals to present individual students’ research projects.

**Important Note:**

* Selection carries the obligation of presenting.
* Presenters must register for the conference; registration is $50 for faculty and $75 for administrators—POs, checks and cash are acceptable. Student panelists will not have a registration fee.
* A selection committee of the Undergraduate Research Conference Steering Committee will review proposals and select panelists for the conference with notification by **September 8, 2014.**

**DRAFT Schedule**

8:00 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:30 **Welcome –** Dr. Blake Sonobe, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, OSRHE

8:45-10:00 **Panel: *Models of Undergraduate Research Assessment***

10:00-10:15 *Break*

10:15-11:30 **Panel: *Models of Undergraduate Community Engagement and Inquiry***

* OSRHE Economic Development Awards Dr. Janet Wansick of EOSC & Doug Misak SWOSU Center for Business Development Internships

11:30-1:00 **Lunch (Provided)** – Networking Tables and Dr. Beth Ambos, Executive Officer of CUR, Speaker

1:00-1:45 **Student Panel: Community Engagement (theme decided upon receipt of submissions)**

1:45-2:30 **Student Panel: Community Engagement (theme decided upon receipt of submissions)**

2:30-2:45 *Break*

2:45-3:30 **Student Panel: Community Engagement (theme decided upon receipt of submissions)**

3:30–3:45 **Undergraduate Research Program Spotlight Award -** Chancellor Glen D. Johnson  
3:45-4:00 **+∆ Evaluation and Closing Call to Action**