Presentation FAQ

Why should I present my research at NCUWiP?

This is a fantastic opportunity to practice communicating your scientific work in a supportive, low stress environment.

Do I have to present research in order to attend?

No, you are welcome to attend even if you have never done physics research, or if you don’t want to present your work.

How can I present my research?

There are two possible formats: You can bring a poster for the poster session, or you can give a short 10 minute talk.

What kinds of things can I present?

Any physics-related research that you have been involved in. This can be research you did with a professor at your university, the results of a summer research program such as an REU, a project you completed for one of your classes, or a senior thesis/capstone project.

Why do I have to submit a title and abstract?

This is standard practice for scientific conferences. It lets conference organizers know what you are presenting and ensure it fits the theme of the conference.

When I registered, I said I didn’t want to present my research. Now I’ve changed my mind. Is it too late?

As long as registration is still open, simply send us your title and abstract. If registration is closed, we may not be able to accommodate you.
When I registered, I said I wanted to present my research, but now I’ve changed my mind. What should I do?

Contact us and let us know.

What will the poster session be like?

All posters will be set up in a large room. During the two-hour poster session, conference participants will circulate around the room looking at the posters. The posters will be judged and prizes awarded. If you are presenting a poster, you should stand by your poster until all judges have come by or for at least half the session.

How do I get my poster printed?

Your college or university might have poster-printing facilities. You can also get posters printed at most copy and print stores.

How long should my talk be?

You will have 10 minutes to talk, plus two minutes for questions. You will not be given any extra time if in doubt, aim for a shorter presentation with more time for questions.

How many people will listen to my talk?

There will be four parallel sessions of student talks, so it won't be the entire conference. Talks will be judged and prizes awarded.

I want to present my research, but I'm not sure how...

You can find lots of good advice online. We encourage you to ask a professor or more experienced student at your university to mentor you through the process. NCUWiP is a great opportunity for you to learn how to present research at a scientific conference?
More questions?

Please contact us and let us know how we can help.