

Poster Guidelines
Deadline: March 25, 2020 11:59PM

Iowa Water Conference 20/20: Bringing Our Water Vision into Focus
Scheman Building, Ames, Iowa
April 8-9, 2020

What does the path to meaningful change look like across the vast spectrum of water resource issues? Who are the drivers of change and who should be included at the table as critical change agents? The theme of the 2020 Iowa Water Conference is centered on the answers to these questions. We want to transform water resource work in the year 2020 to be 20/20 as an effort to refocus our vision of the future for how we can promote inclusive, resilient water resource management.

This conference will focus on our evolving relationship with water at a personal and societal scale, as well as what the future may hold if we continue our current trajectory. Through scientific discovery, diverse change agents, and foresight on future challenges, we will move into an equitable and verdurous world of the future.

The committee welcomes proposals on all water-related topics, but especially encourage submissions that address:

- Equity, inclusion, and environmental justice
- Innovations in agriculture for future resilience
- Emerging water resource contaminants
- Meeting future Gulf of Mexico Hypoxia targets
- Social impacts on conservation
- Mitigating climate change impacts on water resources
- Nontraditional approaches to citizen engagement with water

Eligibility

The general poster session is for researchers, water professionals, and students to showcase projects to conference attendees.

Dates and Location

Posters will be displayed in the poster hall at the conference venue during the entirety of the conference proceedings.

Topics

The Iowa Water Conference Planning Committee is specifically interested in posters that address the theme of this year's conference. Proposals that do not directly relate will be considered by the committee if they address innovative, novel ideas that are new advances in the topic or emphasizes interdisciplinary teams at work.

Accepted proposals include at least one of the following:

- Emphasizes diversity of science and members of society (institution, geography, gender, ethnicity, subject)
- Timely topics that address real-time needs of lowans
- Exemplifies success stories, ground-breaking data, or interesting angles of approach for a subject
- Addresses policy discussions on water resources in a manner that is data-driven and informed by scientific discovery

Conference Attendance

Poster presenters must attend the Iowa Water Conference. Registration for the conference can be accessed in Winter 2020.

Students entered in the Poster Contest will be expected to be present at their poster when assigned by the judges. The judging schedule will be provided to participants prior to the conference. Judges will visit contest posters and discuss the content with participating students. Contest awards will be announced during an awards ceremony at the conference. Students are encouraged to review the poster evaluation form prior to the conference to understand the contest criteria (end of this document).

Poster Displays and Dimensions

Posters will be limited to no larger than 48 inches by 48 inches. Posters will be placed two per side of the poster display board measuring 96 inches by 48 inches. Display boards are covered with white paper and placed on top of a 6' table. Poster authors are responsible for materials to attach posters to the display board. Velcro will NOT work with the display boards. Thumb-tacks or staples work best. Tape or sticky adhesive material (including HandiTack) which will rip the poster board covering will not be permitted.

Communication

To receive notification and updates, please make sure emails from hbates@iastate.edu and messages from Microsoft Conference Management Toolkit are not blocked or routed to the Spam Folder of your inbox.

Please spell out all acronyms and abbreviations at least once in submitted text.

Poster Submission

Proposals will be submitted through Microsoft Conference Management Toolkit. No submissions will be accepted via email to conference organizers. Please read the below instructions for completing the submission process. Incomplete submissions will be eliminated from consideration.

1. Go to <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/IWC2020>
2. Select "Create Account" and fill out the requested information to register
3. Once you are logged in, follow the below prompts to create your submission.
4. Select "Create New Submission"
5. Select "Posters" for poster submission
6. Enter the title and abstract

7. Select "Add" under the Authors section to add additional authors, if any
8. Answer additional questions
9. Select submit

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Student Poster Contest – Evaluation and Comments



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This is a sample poster title.

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Poor					Excellent	
1	2	3	4	5		
1	2	3	4	5	Organization – Was the poster organized and/or well planned? Did the organization allow you to follow the logic of the author?	
1	2	3	4	5	Discussion – Was the individual well prepared to direct a discussion and answer questions about their topic?	
1	2	3	4	5	Visuals – Were the visuals well prepared, legible and understandable?	
1	2	3	4	5	Content – Was the level of information acceptable? Was there too much or too little information for an effective poster?	
1	2	3	4	5	Abstract – Was the abstract written clearly? Did it allow you to obtain preliminary information appropriate for this presentation?	
Total score _____					Comments	