

2018 J. Paul Riley AWRA Utah Section Student Paper Competition

Goals: (1) advance interest and capacity for water research of students from Utah's colleges and universities in all academic areas, (2) facilitate student networking with faculty members, researchers, and practitioners, and (3) improve student technical presentation skills.

Cost: Free! (refreshments will be served!)

Location: BYU Salt Lake Center

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 28, 2018, Time 12:30-5:00

Scholarship Awards: \$250 scholarships awarded to authors of papers selected for presentation at the conference. An <u>additional</u> \$250 scholarship awarded to each division winner at the conference (Undergraduate, Master/Law/Other, Doctorate).

Paper Submission Deadline: Friday, February 9, 2018

Student Conference Organizers:

U of U: Dr. Steve Burian (steve.burian@utah.edu; 801-585-5721)
USU: Dr. David Rosenberg (david.rosenberg@usu.edu; 435-797-8689)

BYU: Dr. Gus Williams (gus.williams@byu.edu; 801-422-7810)

Competition Requirements

<u>Eligibility:</u> The competition is open to students enrolled at bachelor degree-granting institutions within the state of Utah. The competition requires (1) a written manuscript authored by one or more students <u>AND</u>, if selected, (2) an oral presentation delivered by one or more of the students. The manuscript must be principally the work and writing of the first student author. Faculty advisors are permitted to guide the research and provide suggestions, but may not provide contributions to the paper writing and may not be co-authors. The manuscript and presentation must be on a topic related to water resources. AWRA is a multidisciplinary organization, so papers on all topics related to water resources are welcome.

Format: The submission must have a cover page with title, author names and affiliations, and appropriate category (Undergraduate, Master/Law/Other, Doctorate) clearly displayed. All cover pages to the papers must also include a short paragraph that explains the contributions of each listed co-author (as is done in the journal Science). The cover page is limited to one page. The manuscript starts on page 2 with the title and abstract. Author names or affiliation must **NOT** appear in the manuscript (names should only be placed on the cover page). Submitted papers must use a 12 pt font (Times Roman), be double-spaced with at least 1-inch margins, and printing on one side of the paper only. Papers, including figures, tables and references, must not exceed 15 pages (approximately 4000 words) in length. The cover page may not exceed one page, and is not counted against the 15 page paper limit. Illustrations, figures and tables are encouraged where appropriate for the topic and should be neat, clean, and clearly marked either inserted in the text or clearly labeled at the end. For scientific papers, references should be arranged alphabetically at the end following the bibliographic style used in the Journal of the American Water Resources Association. For law papers, references should follow a footnote style according to the Harvard Bluebook citation method.

<u>Paper Submission:</u> All papers must be submitted electronically to Steve Burian (<u>steve.burian@utah.edu</u>) before 5:00 PM, Friday, February 9, 2018 in the format described. The complete paper (figures, tables and all) should be integrated into a single Adobe PDF file. Authors will be notified of their acceptance for presentation in the conference competition on or before Monday, February 26, 2018.

<u>Oral Presentation:</u> To be awarded the scholarship a presentation must be made at the AWRA Utah Section Student Conference at the BYU Salt Lake Center (March 28, 2018, 12:30-5:00). At the conference, each presenter will be limited to 15 minutes with an additional 5 minutes allocated for questions. Additional guidance for presentations will be provided after papers are selected.

The authors of the winning papers may be invited to present their paper during the luncheon session of the Annual Conference of the Utah Section of AWRA in May of 2018 at the Rice-Eccles Stadium Tower on the University of Utah campus.