GPSRC 2016 FAQ

1. **How do I submit an abstract to the GPSRC 2016?**
   Please follow the link: [https://apps.gpss.iastate.edu/students/gpsrc/abstract_submission.php](https://apps.gpss.iastate.edu/students/gpsrc/abstract_submission.php) in order to submit an abstract. You will be prompted to log on using your ISU Net ID and password. Before making the submission, make sure that the abstract adheres to the submission guidelines.

2. **I want to present my work in some other conference and/or I want to submit it to a journal. Can I still submit an abstract to the GPSRC 2016?**
   Yes. Since GPSRC would not be publishing any kind of proceedings, you can still submit the abstract to the GPSRC 2016, and present it later to any professional conference or journal of your choice.

3. **I have already presented my work in some other conference and/or I have submitted it to a journal. Can I still submit an abstract to the GPSRC 2016?**
   Yes, you can definitely submit an abstract for a research study which you have already presented elsewhere or submitted to a journal.

4. **Can I submit an ongoing research to the GPSRC 2016?**
   Yes, it is absolutely fine to present an ongoing work. However, please make sure that the abstract is properly structured as per the submission guidelines. For instance, it would be expected that the abstract would have few words on conclusion and future work, even if it comprises of an ongoing research.

5. **While submitting an abstract, each time I add an author, the name and department of previously added author(s) except the first author go blank. What should I do?**
   Please click on the add author button first to add section for all the authors, before entering the name and affiliation for each of them.

6. **Is there any registration fee for the conference?**
   There is NO registration fee for the conference. However, you will have to register yourself here for attending the conference. The registration link will be available in the first week of March. The first 100 registrants will get a free lunch.

7. **What should I do if I face any problems while submitting an abstract?**
   If you face any problems in abstract submission, please contact GPSRC chair (gpssconfchair@iastate.edu).

8. **Will I get any email after submitting abstract or registration?**
   No, you will not get any confirmation email after submitting abstract or registering for the conference. However, you can email at gpssconfchair@iastate.edu to confirm your abstract submission.

9. **If my abstract is accepted for presentation then when will I get to know?**
   You will know by March 25th if you are accepted for the presentation and which session you will be
presenting. We will not be able to change the presentation time, so we request you to not plan anything else on April 12th, 2016.

10. I am participating in the Poster Presentation. What are the instructions for me?

The poster presentation winners would win $100 each. The winners would be chosen by judges as well as through public voting. The cumulative score for each participant would constitute 2/3rd of the score given by the judges and remaining 1/3rd of the score based on the votes cast by the members of the public.

Judge’s score would be based on poster’s visual appeal, technical content, as well as the student’s presentation skills. It should be noted that the judges would not identify themselves and would be a part of the public. They would also be visiting your poster individually.

The award ceremony would take place between 5-6 PM on 12th April in Great Hall, MU. The winners must be present during award ceremony to be eligible to receive the award; the absence of presenting author will automatically disqualify them from the competition. Also, in the event that multiple students receive the same cumulative score, the prize money would be split equally amongst them.

It should be noted that participants are responsible for their posters. Any posters left behind by the participants after the poster presentation, would be sent for recycling by the organizing committee.

In case of any disputes the decision of the Judging Committee shall be final and binding.

11. I am participating in the Oral Presentation. What are the instructions for me?

Each participant will be given 12 minutes to present followed by 2 minutes of questions.

The oral presentation winners would win $150 each. The winners would be chosen by 3 judges. The participants would be judged on content, organization, delivery, and visual appeal of the presentation.

The participants are requested to send their final presentations by 11.59 PM on April 9th to Dr. Efthimia Papastavros (efthimia@iastate.edu) via email. If you fail to send the presentation in MS Power Point form by due date, you will not be able to present and will be disqualified. If you are not comfortable with sending your file via email then you can send us in a flash drive before April 9th. We assure you the total safety of your presentations.

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12. I am participating in the 3MT. What are the instructions for me?

A total of 3 awards would be given in 3MT. Two of the awardees would be chosen by a panel of judges and the third awardee would be chosen by the people present during the 3MT though ballot. The winner chosen by the panel of judges and would receive a $300 award, the runner up would receive $200. The winner of the people’s choice award would receive an award of $100. The participants would be judged as per 3MT guidelines available on: http://threeminutethesis.org/index.html?page=191546&pid=193447

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13. I am participating in the Impactful Innovations. What are the instructions for me?

The impactful innovation winners would win up to $200 each team. The winners would be chosen by 3 judges. The participants would be judged on innovative idea, presentation skills, ease of use, ability to answer questions and visual appeal of the models.

Guidelines-

In order to be eligible for presenting in this session the following rules must be met:

1. The idea/invention must be conceived and designed by students who are currently enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate or professional program at Iowa State University.

2. It must be a working model at the time of presentation (for example, a functional mobile app, miniature scaled engineering model, etc.).
3. A team can be consist of students from two or more programs (for example, a team comprised of a student from the MBA program as well as a student enrolled in the Interdepartmental Genetics (IG) program), however this is not required.

4. At the time of presentation, up to two students can present their idea/innovation. At least one of the presenters must be a graduate or a professional student.

Teams will be provided with a table on which they can showcase their model. Please let us know in advance, if you need any additional settings. Up to two students presenting the model must be present from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm to be eligible for judging.

For additional information, please contact Shivani Ghaisas at sghaisas@iastate.edu. You must contact Shivani by April 5th if you need additional facilities (power outlet, sitting arrangement, etc). We will try to accommodate the best of our capacity.

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