



Graduate Student Summit 2020

Tips for Presenters

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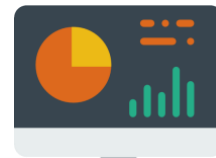
Please consider the following guidelines as you prepare your remarks for the Graduate Student Summit. Better communication of your ideas means more attendees will engage with your work. Importantly, staying within the presentation time limits is both respectful of other authors and maximizes time for questions and discussion during the session.

For Paper Sessions (presentation time: 10 minutes)

What to upload: 15-20 page paper uploaded into [AllAcademic](#) system by October 30th. For resources on how to structure your research paper, click [here](#).

What to present: Prepare 5-10 slide PowerPoint to convey important points of your paper the audience.

- Visual aids should be simple, clear, and readable.
- Generally, strong presentations have slide decks organized in the following way:
 - Research Questions
 - Conceptual/Theoretical Framework
 - Methods
 - Findings
 - Implications/Future Research Directions



We encourage you to include the following points in your presentation:

1. Explain the problem you investigated and its relation to existing research.
2. Briefly indicate your methods: prioritize findings and implications (not literature review).
3. State specifically what is different and/or interesting about your approach.

For Ignite! Sessions (presentation time: 5 minutes)



What to upload: PowerPoint/PDF file of your presentation uploaded into [AllAcademic](#) system by October 30th.

What to present: Prepare a 20-slide presentation (PowerPoint or equivalent platform), which automatically advances every 15 seconds. Click [here](#) for examples of Ignite! sessions in action.

Given this time constraint, your task within this session is to provide the highlights of your paper. One of your major objectives is to whet the appetite of the listener to read your paper. Importantly, you will need to adhere to the time limit. Slides are timed and will move to the presentation after 5 minutes.

For Roundtable Sessions (presentation time: 7 minutes)



What to upload: 1-3 page outline of your work-in-progress as a PDF/PPT file uploaded into [AllAcademic](#) system by October 30th

What to present: Prepare a shareable presentation (e.g., pdf, ppt, docx) briefly presenting your research study, including research question(s), methodology and research design, findings and implications.

Other Pro-Tips



Remember: Do not just read your paper!

This approach does little to generate interest on the part of the audience, and it is an ineffective way to communicate ideas.

Prepare for a facilitated discussion with other authors in your session, and the Digital Discussant.



- To ensure robust discussion, upload the final version of your paper/presentation into AllAcademic by October 30th to give digital discussants enough time to review your important work.