



## NFPA 2018 Conference and Expo

### Student Research Poster Board Session Sponsored by the NFPA Research Section

#### Instructions for Proposal Submittal

The NFPA Research Section will be co-hosting\* a networking reception at NFPA's 2018 Conference and Expo in Las Vegas on Sunday, June 10, from 6:00-8:00 pm. As part of this event, we will be giving students an opportunity to share their findings from fire-related research projects.

1. **Invited Content:** The NFPA Research Section Executive Board invites current students to submit an abstract of their research work, completed or in progress, for review by a panel comprised of members from the Research Section and NFPA Research staff. Students submitting accepted abstracts will be invited to provide a poster presentation of their research at the networking reception on the evening of June 10<sup>th</sup>.

The abstract should address a topic in the area of ***fire and life safety related*** research, testing, analysis, applications or science. Preference will be given to work being supervised, reviewed or guided by a university/college faculty member or other well-qualified professional/organization, for degree credit.

2. **Abstract Submittal Requirements:** The submitted abstract should be informative, and must contain the following:
  - a. A short, specific title
  - b. Names of author(s), faculty advisor/supervisor, university, and any project sponsors
  - c. Degree being sought
  - d. Contact information for both the main student author *and* the research advisor/supervisor
  - e. A one-sentence statement describing the student's work hypothesis or proposition
  - f. A brief synopsis of the content, summary of the results obtained and a general statement of conclusion, if possible
  - g. A minimum of ½ page, to maximum of one full page in length, single-spaced, using 10-point type size. The abstract should be approximately 500 to 700 words in length.
3. **Non-commercial Content:** The NFPA Research Section wishes to provide a unique opportunity for open dialogue and creative exchange between the students and conference attendees. The abstract and poster presentations therefore cannot promote the commercial services or commercial products of sponsors of the research. Acknowledgements of sponsor support, however, are permissible.
4. **Submission & Response Deadlines:**
  - a. Students will submit abstract via email to rfahy@nfpa.org by **March 2, 2018**.
  - b. Notice of acceptance /non-acceptance and poster instructions will be sent out by **April 2, 2018**.
  - c. Students will provide written confirmation to present poster by **May 4, 2018**.

\* The co-hosts of the event are the following NFPA member sections: the International Fire Marshals Association; Fire Service; Health Care; Architects, Engineers, and Building Officials; Fire Science and Technology Educators; and the Education Section; and NFPA's International Division.

**Note:** *The invitation to present a poster at this event will include complimentary registration for the NFPA Conference and Expo for one student author per abstract. Students are responsible for all related travel costs. Students are required to be present at their poster throughout the session on Sunday. Posters will remain on display through the conference.*