***Student Poster* Competition**

**at the 13th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONCRETE PAVEMENTS**

The International Society for Concrete Pavements (ISCP) is announcing a *Student Poster Board Competition* at the *13th International Conference on Concrete Pavements (ICCP),* which will be held August 25-29, 2024 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA. The author of the best student poster presentation at the conference session will be awarded the *B.F. McCullough Award*. Named after The University of Texas-Austin’s Professor, B. Frank McCullough was a concrete pavement engineering pioneer in the U.S. and one of the first Honorary Members of the ISCP. During his time at the University, Professor McCullough was responsible for the conduct of more than 100 research projects, teaching and advising more than 100 graduate students over a period of nearly 50 years.

Graduate and undergraduate college students are highly encouraged to submit a poster on their research progress or other topics of study in areas such as innovative technologies in concrete pavement design, construction, materials, sustainability, maintenance, performance, evaluation, rehabilitation, asset management, and more.

# Important Due Dates

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| January 31, 2023 | Statement of intent to submit a poster and estimate of conference financial need and support (template provided in this guideline) | submit via email to tcavalline@charlotte.edu |
| March 31, 2024 | Draft posters due for initial review | submit via email to tcavalline@charlotte.edu |
| April 30, 2024 | Feedback provided after initial review of the posters | via student’s email  |
| July 31, 2024 | Revised/final poster submittal, plus student registration | submit via email to tcavalline@charlotte.edu |
| August 26, 2024 | Student Poster Board Judging | Student presenter must be available to answer questions from three assigned judges during this time. Students are also encouraged to be present at the posters to answer questions from conference participants during this time. Posters will be displayed throughout the conference for participants to view. |

# General Information

**January 31, 2024*: Submit Letter of Intent and Estimate of Financial Need***

We request that each student submit a statement indicating their intention to participate in the poster board competition. A template statement is provided with this guideline. Upon submission of the statement, each student will be provided a discount code to assure the early-bird student registration fee price for the conference. Please note, this code is valid ONLY for students who submit posters.

The statement also includes space for students to estimate the cost of their participation in the conference, list potential sources of funding through their educational institutions, and to indicate their need for financial assistance, if any. Upon the receipt of this information, ISCP will attempt to identify potential industry sponsors that are willing to help defray each student’s travel, hotel and/or registration costs. However, no financial support is guaranteed. It is anticipated that students will be informed of available industry financial support after submission of the draft poster by March 31, 2024.

***March 31, 2024: Submit Completed Poster for Review***

Completed posters should be submitted in pdf format for review by this date. The .pdf file size should not exceed 20 MB. The purpose of the initial review is to provide the students with constructive feedback and suggestions on how to improve the poster prior to the competition. Receipt of the poster will be acknowledged via e-mail. Review comments will be provided to each student by April 30, 2024.

***July 31, 2024: Submit Final Poster***

Students should try their best to address the comments received through the initial review and finalize their posters. Final posters are due by July 31, 2024 in .pdf format and should submitted via email. Students must also register for the conference by this date. Students not registered for the conference by this date will not be eligible for participation in the competition or for financial assistance through ISCP.

***August 26, 2024: Competition day***

Judging will take place at the 13th ICCP and will determine the recipient of the *B.F. McCullough Award*. To be considered for the *Award,* an entry must go through both the initial review and the judging. A student presenter listed on the poster as an author must be present during judging to be considered for the *Award.* Judging will consider the students’ abilities to positively influence the audience and answer their questions. Note that the judges at the conference will not participate in the initial technical reviews. During the poster board competition session, each poster will be considered by a panel of judges that will evaluate the poster on a scale from 1 – 5 over each of four categories: 1) overall effectiveness, 2) technical content, 3) conclusions, and 4) visual impact and quality. Posters that only synthesize current knowledge will not be ranked.

# Contact Information

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# STATEMENT OF INTENT TO SUBMIT A POSTER

My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and I am a (B.S.; M.S., Ph.D., undergraduate) student at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. By submitting this form, I indicate my intention to submit a poster for competition in the student poster board competition on August 26, 2024 at the 13th International Conference on Concrete Pavements in Minneapolis Minnesota.

**ESTIMATE OF CONFERENCE FINANCIAL NEEDS AND SUPPORT**

Provide the best possible estimate of your anticipated costs for attending the 13th ICCP in the table below. Under “available funding”, list the amount of funding already available to you (that you have/will apply for) for example, university travel awards, research funding, or other sources. Make sure to specify the source of funding. Under “needed funding,” list the amount that is not sponsored to-date. Upon the receipt of your form, we will work with local sponsors to potentially assist with your “needed funding.”

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| *Expense* | *Amount ($)* | *Available funding ($)* | *Needed funding ($)* |
| Discounted Registration fee | $450 |  |  |
| Hotel |  |  |  |
| Travel (mileage, flight) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Total funding needed ($): |

***Please extract this page, complete and attach to your letter of intent.***

# POSTER PREPARATION GUIDELINE

# Poster Size

Each poster board is not to exceed the following dimensions: 48” (wide) x 36” (tall) (1200 mm x 900 mm). Posters must be **printed landscape style.** The presenter is responsible for providing the poster. Display boards and pins will be provided for displaying the posters at the 13th ICCP.

**CHARACTERISTICS OF AN EFFECTIVE POSTER**

**Presentable:** In a Lectern the presenter has the privilege of speaking either within or outside the confines of the slide. The Poster presenter has no choice but to let the poster speak in order to guide presentation and trigger discussions.

**Organized:** The Poster should be organized to logically “tell the story.”

**Succinct:** The Poster should concisely present the facts while providing sufficient detail to relay the quality of the work.

**Thorough:** A poster can be viewed as a highly condensed lectern session, and should therefore thoroughly describe the work.

**Resourceful:** The Poster shoulddemonstrate that the work contributes to knowledge and/or practice. It should preferably (but not necessarily) be inventive but must be innovative of a process, material, or economics and should effectively provide knowledge that the audience will take away.