



Student Poster Session

2nd National Symposium on Sustainability in Corrections

Join students and corrections professionals
from across the nation for:

- ✓ Dynamic workshops by national experts
- ✓ Facility tours and Social events
- ✓ Networking opportunities with potential
Employers and students from around the
country

\$\$ At least \$500 in Prizes \$\$
\$\$ WILL be awarded \$\$

Frequently Asked Questions about the Student Poster Session

Who is GreenPrisons? GreenPrisons, Inc is a not for profit corporation that promotes sustainability in adult corrections and juvenile justice. GreenPrisons is an outgrowth of the American Correctional Associations "Clean and Green Committee" (ACA) that meets twice a year to examine and promote sustainability throughout the profession. Beginning with the Symposium in October, 2012, GreenPrisons will sponsor a Student Poster Session and other student-oriented activities throughout the year that are designed to encourage the next generation of correctional and juvenile justice professionals to think about sustainability as they enter the profession. If you would like more information about GreenPrisons Inc, please visit our website at www.GreenPrisons.org

What is a Poster Session? Modeled after the very successful poster sessions hosted by ACA, a Poster Session provides a friendly, informal environment for students interested in presenting a paper sharing what they have learned about the potential for sustainability in corrections and juvenile justice. For the purpose of the session, the student must summarize the paper into a graphic and textual format that is reader friendly and **can be posted on a three panel science board** (which the student is to provide). The poster is then displayed on a table or easel in a conference room for conference attendees to review. Each student stands by their poster and answers questions about their paper.

Who is eligible for participation? Any graduate or undergraduate or high school student in Criminal Justice, environmental sciences or related disciplines **whose paper focuses on SUSTAINABILITY in the corrections or juvenile justice field** is eligible to participate.

What information should appear in the poster? Both conceptual and empirical papers representing a *student's original work* are appropriate. Each poster should include the following information: 1) Title of paper; 2) Student's name, university affiliation, and contact information; 3) the thesis, or purpose of the paper, 4) Research methods (if appropriate) 5) Key findings, and 6) Conclusions. Posters should include graphs and charts to depict any statistics reported, and bulleted text to convey the main points and conclusions. The student can then supplement this information orally, during their conversations with conference attendees. **A 3-panel science board is recommended for the poster.** (For instructions and tips on preparing a conference poster, see www.mitacs.math.ca/AC2003/index.php?section=poster and www.psichi.org/conventions/.)

What are the submission procedures? You must send an **email notification** of your intent to participate in the poster session by **October 15, 2012**. This **email notification** should include an abstract describing your proposed paper. The **complete paper** must be submitted by **October 28, 2012** as an attachment to an email to Tommy@GreenPrisons.org or you can bring it with you to the Symposium. You will receive an email confirmation of the receipt of your paper; if not, please contact Mr. Norris at 859-582-1900. You are not required to submit the poster, or its content, prior to the actual poster session in Plainfield, IN.

How will my entry be judged? The Symposium planning committee will select professionals in attendance at the Symposium to judge the Student Poster Session. Each judge will be provided with a copy of the students' papers at the Symposium. During the poster session, the judges will meet individually with each student to discuss their paper and conclusions. The written and oral components of the competition will be judged jointly based on 1) the clarity and organization of thoughts; 2) knowledge of topic; 3) the theoretical and/or methodological basis of the paper; and 4) strength of conclusions. Awards will be made through the first three papers. Graduate, undergraduate and high school students will compete in separate categories. The winner in each category will receive an award equal to or greater than their conference registration of \$105 based on the funds available.

What is the cost? Registration for students is at the reduced rate of \$105 dollars and affords them access to all Symposium activities and workshops. Students will be invited to the "Invitation Only" reception on Tuesday evening October 30. The poster evaluations will occur in the exhibit hall October 30, which will afford maximum exposure to the professionals attending. The awards will take place during the luncheon October 31st.