Call for Proposals

National Association of Biology Teachers

10th Annual Biology Education Research Symposium
2018 Professional Development Conference
November 8-11, 2018; Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina
San Diego, CA

We welcome all life sciences education researchers from elementary to graduate levels, in formal and informal settings.

We invite you submit a proposal to the 10th annual Biology Education Research Symposium sponsored by The NABT Four Year University/College Section’s Biology Education Research Committee. Previous presentations have included case study research on teaching evolution, action research in a high school setting, and modeling in elementary students. This is a refereed session to be presented at the Professional Development Conference (November 8-11, San Diego, CA). All papers will go through double blind review. The format of the symposium will be a traditional presentation of papers by individual or co-authors lasting 15 minutes each.

Please only submit research that is not yet published and will not be in publication status by November. All presenters will be required to submit an electronic manuscript for distribution through the Proceedings before the conference. You will maintain copyright of this manuscript for later publication in other venues.

PROPOSAL GUIDELINES
Proposals should be a maximum of five pages including references. Use 12-point font, 1” margins, single spacing, and APA formatting. Please include the title at the top of each page in caps. Please DO NOT include author identifiers in this document.

The body of the proposal should clearly address the following criteria; we recommend using the underlined portions as section headings:
Subject/Problem: Is there a clear focus, rationale, model, theory, or philosophy guiding the proposal?
Design or Procedure: Are the methodology, procedure, design, and organization appropriate?
Analyses and Findings: Do the syntheses of ideas or data analyses and findings appear to be appropriate and complete? Do the conclusions drawn follow from the data?
Contribution: Do the conclusions contribute valuable insights into the teaching/learning of biology?
General Interest: Does the presentation promise to be of general interest to NABT members?

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION
Send your completed proposal document to NABTresearch@gmail.com with 2017 NABT Research Proposal in the subject heading.

In the e-mail text please include:
Names of author(s) with organization affiliation (University, College, School System)
Title of Submission
Abstract (up to 200 words to be used in the program, if selected)
Contact information for notification

Attach your proposal as a WORD document. These WORD documents will be made into a PDF by the Chair of the research committee prior to submitting to the reviewers to ensure a blind review process.

Members of the Research Committee will send copies of your document without names and affiliation to at least two reviewers. After review, committee members will select proposals with the highest scores for acceptance in the 2018 NABT Professional Conference Research Symposium.

DATES
The proposal submission deadline is midnight on June 15, 2018.

Blind review will take place in June with final selection by mid July 2018. All presenters are required to register for the conference and provide an electronic manuscript for distribution through the Proceedings. To find the Proceedings from past years go to www.nabt.org and click on "sections" on the left hand side. From there click on "Four Year College and University."