



STUDENT RESEARCH COMPETITION (SRC) 2022/2023 AEHAP SRC Information

1. Explanation of the Student Research Competition:

For over a decade, AEHAP has provide graduates and undergraduates in Environmental Health degree programs with an opportunity to present their current, recently completed (the previous 6 months) or ongoing individual Environmental Health related research project. Each submitted project is reviewed and judged by a panel of environmental health professionals serving as volunteer judges. Independent of any information regarding the student other than undergrad or graduate level, the judges review each project.

2. SRC Application Guidelines:

Submit a Structured Abstract of up to 800 words (excluding references), 2 to 3 pages in length. Your abstract should have NO personal or school identifying information on any page. For SRC judging purposes DO NOT include any name, school, email, etc. on any page of your submitted abstract.

Structured Abstract format:

- **Title** – Research Project
- **Introduction** – Within the introduction section provide a clear differentiation of your work/research from examined current or past similar work literature. Include examined related works with your references.
- **Objective** - Describe the primary objective of the research project
- **Methodology** - All materials and methods that have been used in the work must be stated clearly and subtitles should be used when necessary.
- **Results** - Clearly state your results, include tables and graphs as appropriate.
- **Conclusions** - Please conclude your work incorporating your most important finding, who would benefit from knowing the findings, potential future works, as well as recommendations informed by your research project.
- **References** - Please include all references used, this will not be counted in page length.

All entries should be printable on standard 8.5 x 11 paper. Please use 1-inch margins, with Arial, Times New Roman or Calibri fonts in 10-to-12-point font size.

3. Submission guidelines:

All SRC applications are to be submitted with this completed Google form using this link: <https://forms.gle/sqyxtqWUoYybovkY7>

You will upload your Abstract at the bottom of the form. For SRC judging purposes DO NOT include any identification info; NO name, school, email, etc. on any page of the submitted abstract.

All entries must be submitted by Friday, February 10th, 2023 (11:59pm EST) with a completed form via the Google form link provided.

For any questions regarding the SRC you may contact the SRC Committee Chair, Ms. Jamie Hisel of Eastern Kentucky University at Jamie.Hisel@EKU.edu (EST) or contact Carla Brown, AEHAP Administrator at 877-622-2021 or CarlaB@AEHAP.org (PST).

4. Criteria & Selection

A panel of environmental health practitioners/faculty will select the winners based on:

- Originality
- Scientific rigor
- Relevance to Environmental Health Science and Protection
- Four Research Abstracts will be selected for awards.
- A copy of the scoring rubric used by the judges is on the AEHAP website at [AEHAP - Association of Environmental Health Academic Programs - Home](#)

5. Notifications and Awards:

SRC awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place winners will be notified via email on March 27th, 2023.

- The award winners will be expected to present at the AEHAP Spring Student Symposium to be held virtually on **Tuesday, April 18th, 2023.**
- **SRC Award winners attending the NEHA Annual Education Conference have the opportunity to showcase their work with a poster displayed during the Exhibition sessions. SRC winners attending the AEC will make a narrated slide presentation of their winning project for the scheduled conference session open to all attendees. SRC winners are announced during the AEC Awards ceremony.**
- The winning students will be recognized in an upcoming issue of the Journal of Environmental Health.

6. Details of the Award:

For 2023 there will be two 1st Place SRC Awards. A 1st Place Undergraduate and 1st Place Graduate student will each receive a \$1,000 cash award and a \$1,500 travel and stay allowance to attend the NEHA Annual Education Conference, in New Orleans from July 31 to Aug. 3, 2023. The 2nd place award winner will receive \$500, and 3rd place will receive \$250. All 4 winners will be featured presenters at the 2023 Spring Student Symposium on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.