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2014 AGMUS Research Symposium

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August 30, 2014
Sheraton San Juan Hotel & Casino
Convention Center District
San Juan, Puerto Rico

A Word from the Organizers

Dear students and research fellows:

We invite you to participate in the 2014 AGMUS Research Symposium. This symposium was initiated by UMET's Science Honor Program to give our students the opportunity to present their scientific research experiences. Starting in 2000, we have expanded the reach of our meeting to other institutions in the nation with minority participation in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) areas. Since 2008, the symposium was implemented under the Student Research Development Center (SRDC), which is part of the Vice Presidency for Planning and Academic Affairs of the Ana G. Méndez University System (AGMUS). This opportunity will not only serve as a forum to learn about research experiences, but will also allow you to enjoy the wonders of our beautiful Borinquen scenery. For two days you will be able to learn about science and at the same time enjoy the beauty of our tropical Puerto Rico.

We have prepared an informative and comprehensive program for the Symposium. Abstracts in all STEM areas, as well as in Computer Science, are welcome. We look forward to seeing you in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Meeting Information

- **Deadline for submission of abstracts: August 11, 2014. We encourage US Presenters to submit their abstract as soon as possible in order to receive their acceptance notification earlier.**
- **Notification of acceptance: August 15, 2014. Symposium date: August 30, 2014.**
- **Scientific Program:** The symposium will include oral presentations and poster sessions divided by areas.
- **Location:** San Juan, PR; Sheraton Puerto Rico Hotel & Casino, Convention Center District

Symposium Registration Fees:

	Early Registration	After August 22, 2014 and On-site Registration
Faculty and Visitors	\$100	\$150
Student Presenters	Free	-
Student Attendees	\$ 80	\$100
Academic Exhibitors Table 6' x 3' (Fee includes one person)	\$ 360	\$460
Ad in Proceedings (Please contact Ms. Thelma Graniela at tgraniela@suagm.edu)	-	

- Workshop Registration Fees: TBA.

General Information

- **Travel:** All major airlines have flights to the Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Please make your own reservations.

- Local Attractions: Old San Juan and its historical sites, El Yunque Rain Forest, the Arecibo Radio Telescope, the Camuy Cave System and many beautiful beaches around the island.
- Weather: During the month of August, Puerto Rico's weather is mild; it's the perfect weather to enjoy our beautiful Island.
- **Dress Code: Semiformal, business attire.**

Registration

<http://srdc.suagm.edu/Symposia/AGMUS14>

Submission of Abstracts

Please attach your abstract in Microsoft Word format. **Abstracts must be submitted in English** and should be no more than 300 words long. They must include the title, authors and their affiliation and mentor(s). **Only one presenter per abstract will be accepted. Please underline the main author or presenter and specify your preference for an oral or poster presentation. The presentations will be in the following format: pre-college students (poster only), undergraduate students (poster or oral) and graduate students (oral only).**

The deadline for Undergraduate and Graduate Abstracts to be considered for Symposium Awards is August 11, 2014.

Abstracts received after August 11, 2014 will NOT be considered for any cash prizes presented by the AGMUS 2014 Research Symposium, but will be tagged as **Late Submission Abstract** in the Symposium Proceedings. **The abstract submission site will be closed at midnight, August 11, 2014.**

****IMPORTANT FOR POSTER PRESENTERS:**

- **Boards will be available for posters not larger than 3x4 feet in portrait format.**
- *No audiovisual equipment, laptops or tables will be allowed with no EXCEPTIONS*

Symposium Advertising

Please send all ad material in JPEG format to: tgraniela@suagm.edu no later than August 22, 2014. Each ad must have the desired ad dimensions. For more information about **Symposium Advertising**, visit our web page <http://srdc.suagm.edu>. **All paid Exhibitors can published a full page color Ad as part of their registration package**

Cancellation Policy: Cancellation of Symposium registration can be made. All cancellations must be submitted through e-mail to imiranda@suagm.edu by the following registration deadline dates:

- **On or before August 15, 2014-** no cancellation fee
- **After August 15, 2014** – any Student Registration cancellation received after this date will be assessed with a **\$60.00** cancellation processing fee.
- **No Show Presenters** – no show students at the symposium date will be assessed with a fee of \$60.00 for publication and administrative processing.
- **Pre-Paid Exhibitor Registrations** – no refund will be issued on any exhibitor registration.
- **All Payments must be in by August 22, 2014.** Additional fee of \$25 may be charged as a late payment fee. Please, make your payment on time

Rules for the Symposium:

- 1) Acceptance of the abstracts is equivalent to receiving an award in the AGMUS Research Symposium with the commitment from the student to attend all symposium activities.
- 2) Presentations are in English.
- 3) To receive an award, the student must be present at the closing ceremonies.

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This conference features:

- Graduate School Orientation
- Undergraduate Research Internship Opportunities
- Exhibitors