



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The **Environmental Science and Policy Program (ESPP)** at Michigan State University is now welcoming abstract submissions from undergraduate and graduate students, as well as post-doctoral scholars, for the 2017 annual **ESPP Research Symposium - Urban Environment: Sustainable Solutions for the Future**, to be held October 27 at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center.

This conference will connect ideas and researchers from across campus to identify challenges and suggest appropriate solutions in urban environment. A holistic approach toward sustainability requires multiple perspectives, and this event intends to foster such interdisciplinary sharing. This symposium will explore research performed across disciplines, among public stakeholders, and alongside policy makers to better prepare future leaders in addressing the state of the urban environment. Along with student presentations, there will be 4-5 plenary speakers with expertise in the areas of academic, public and private research in urban environment.

Students and postdocs at MSU and other colleges or universities are invited to present their work at any stage in its development through oral or poster presentations. Top presentations will receive first and second place awards of \$500 and \$300 respectively.

The scope of the symposium is any topics in an urban environmental context, including but not limited to:

- Climate mitigation, adaptation, and geoengineering in urban areas
- Urban pollution – air, water, solid waste, etc.
- Water management and policy
- Urban agriculture and food safety
- Global urbanization and environmental impacts, including human health impacts
- Social and economic disparities, and environmental justice in urban areas

Abstracts are due Friday September 8, 2017.

Abstracts can be submitted at http://www.environment.msu.edu/events/research_symposium/abstract.php.

Notifications of accepted abstracts will be made by mid-September. Please direct any questions to espp@msu.edu.

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