**INSTRUCTIONS FOR SURF POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

1. Your poster should be the large size offered by media services (36 in high x 48 in wide). This poster should be printed on **paper** so that it can be clipped on to a foam core board (which will stand on an easel). The title, author(s), mentor, and department, are to be prominently displayed across the top border with lettering height between 1 and 2 inches. Please use Dr. for faculty with a Ph.D. and Professor for faculty with other degrees.

**TITLE**

**Author(s), (Faculty Mentor: Dr. John Doe), Department of XXX**

1. Poster displays should include the **ABSTRACT** (in the upper left hand corner). Depending on the focus of the research, one also typically includes some or all of the **TABLES, FIGURES**, **ILLUSTRATIONS**, **PHOTOGRAPHS**, and **LEGENDS**. These materials will be viewed from about 3 feet distance, so choose a font size that can be read from that distance.
2. Include and arrange your material so a coherent and straight-forward story is told without your presence. Emphasize the most important points and avoid overwhelming the viewer with too much detail. Specific recommendations include:

* In the **INTRODUCTION** – briefly summarize the necessary background that led to this work, clearly identify the purpose or specific aims of the present study. If applicable, identify the questions asked or hypothesis(es) tested.
* Provide sufficient detail of the **SCHOLARLY DESIGN** and the **METHODS** employed to do the work.
* **RESULTS** can be effectively presented by table, figure, illustration and/or photograph. Make each stand on its own, so the viewer doesn't have to refer elsewhere on the display to understand the important message(s). For each table, figure, etc., a lucid **INTERPRETATIVE LEGEND** will go a long way in highlighting and briefly discussing the essential points.
* **SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION** – *briefly*, what are the vital "bottom lines" of your work.