Scholars Showcase Events

Poster Session

9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 15, Carver Gym

Western's poster session provides an opportunity to prepare students for future academic presentations. Students share their outstanding academic achievements – whether research or creative work – with the larger Western community, family, friends, and anyone interested in their discipline or specific project. (undergraduate and graduate students)

Three-Minute Thesis

Morning Session: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Afternoon Session: 3 – 4:30 p.m. | Haggard Hall 222, Thurs, May 16 Three-Minute Thesis, or 3MT®, is a research presentation event created by The University of Queensland that challenges participants to explain their research to a general audience in three minutes or less, using a single PowerPoint slide. (graduate students)

Creative Writing Presentations

1 – 2:30 p.m., Thursday, May 16, Haggard Hall 222

The Creative Writing Presentations feature Western graduate students' original poetry, fiction, nonfiction, and/or hybrid works. (graduate students)

Events hosted by Colleges, Departments and Programs

May 13 – 17

Various Scholars Week events also are scheduled across campus. For more, go to wp.wwu.edu/scholars/schedule/



Thank you for attending Scholars Week events and activities.

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Share in the significance of student scholarship and faculty mentorship at Western Washington University.

Events include:

Faculty / Student Group Collaborations

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 14 Carver Hall of Fame Room (CV 221)

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We acknowledge that we gather today on the ancestral homelands of the Coast Salish Peoples, who have lived in the Salish Sea basin, throughout the San Juan Islands and the North Cascades watershed, from time immemorial. Please join us in expressing our deepest respect and gratitude for our Indigenous neighbors, the Lummi Nation and Nooksack Tribe, for their enduring care and protection of our shared lands and waterways.



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Faculty/Student Group Collaborations

Tuesday, May 14, Carver Hall of Fame Room

Featuring research, creative work, or other academic projects from student-instructor collaboration.

10 – 10:30 a.m. | "IM4EJ: Interdisciplinary Methods for Environmental Justice"

Troy D. Abel & Jonah White; Urban & Environmental Planning & Policy

Louisa Keating, Maree Medeiros, Lauren Ellingson, Colie Brook, Claudia Basso, Elena Acevedo, Amanda Hogue, Cassidy Schneider, Zachary Connor

10:30 – 11 a.m. | "What are the genetically distinct populations of harbor seals (Phoca vitulina) in Washington State?"

Alejandro Acevedo-Gutierrez & Dietmar Schwarz; Biology

Alexandrea Otto, Maya Mijares, Isabel Shier

11 a.m. – 12 p.m. | "Effects of Lupinus rivularis on invasive species in reservoir restoration sites following Elwha River dam removal, Olympic National Park"

John McLaughlin; Environmental Science

Bruce Cudkowicz, Joey Lane, Karson Nicpon

"Large woody debris inventory and distribution on the Elwha River 10 years after dam removal"

John McLaughlin; Environmental Science

Hilary Greenwood, Tate Harkness

"Impacts of American Beavers (Castor canadensis) in the Elwha River Valley Restoration Sites"

John McLaughlin; Environmental Science Kate Rounds, Jones Jones, Caleb Lee

"Interspecific responses to avian alarm calls"

John McLaughlin; Environmental Science Logan Young, Payten Emerick, Ava Donelan

12 – 1 p.m. | Reception for Faculty/Student Collaboration presenters with Provost Brad Johnson

1 – 1:30 p.m. | "Something bloomed... like a pinkish yellow flower as big as the room": A qualitative exploration of adults' experiences combining cannabis and sexual activity"

Mary Hunt; Health and Human Development

Tasha Denton, Kylie Mattson, Taylor Hall, Kaye Kulp, Kimiya Fanaeian, Ainsley DeGuzman, Majka Edwards, Clara Blue

1:30 – 2 p.m. | "Stress from a worm's perspective"

Lina Dahlberg; Biology

Anna Byquist, Bree Nelson, Maribel Solano Alcantara, Kanaili Singkeo, Karla Acevedo, Callie Seymour

2 – 2:30 p.m. | "Assessing the Equality of Quantiles of the Location-Family Distributions and Its Application to the Reaction Times Data"

Kimihiro Noguchi; Mathematics Nick Chandler, Caleb Fuemmeler

2:30 - 3 p.m. | "Is this the same puzzle? Avoiding equivalent boards in tiling problems"

Stephanie Treneer; Mathematics Noah Jensen