The University of Akron **Interdisciplinary Symposium** encourages students to submit their original scholarship, collaborative work, creative works, or research for presentation in April at UA. The conference will take place on **April 9, 2019** (from 8am-4pm) at The University of Akron’s Student Union (Student Union Ballroom, 3rd Floor). Participating in the Interdisciplinary Symposium will give students the opportunity to present their innovative research, collaborate, and network with the community and departments, experience some aspects of formal academic and professional meetings in a local setting, and get exposed to scholarly research endeavors of others at UA. Students will be able to submit their projects for a chance to win cash prizes. Registration to present at the Interdisciplinary Symposium is free for all University of Akron students.

The theme for this year’s **first annual** Interdisciplinary Symposium is *Inclusion and Distinction through Scholarship*. A central goal of the University of Akron is to provide a diverse learning experience that equips students with life-long skills. The Interdisciplinary Symposium strives to contribute to this goal by bringing a wide range of scholarly pursuits together for the betterment of presenters as well as attendees. Additionally, the inclusion of community partners along with faculty and students from diverse disciplines will allow for an enriching learning experience and the potential for collaboration with others to further academic excellence. By giving students and community members this opportunity, we aspire to display the importance of academic research and scholarship as a valuable tool for learning and community development.

Please join us at The University of Akron to explore interdisciplinary research and creative works that inspires, innovates, and creates leaders of tomorrow. Consider this an opportunity to not only gain a richer understanding of the academic landscape and possibilities for interdisciplinary collaboration at the UA, but also as a chance to showcase your unique work to members of the University and greater Akron community.

Students can submit their poster proposals through the following link:

[https://goo.gl/forms/f1OOTNZMKfs1DWQr2](https://goo.gl/forms/f1OOTNZMKfs1DWQr2)

To be considered for cash prizes students can submit their posters through the form below:

[https://goo.gl/forms/Wu0NdL9rzrsYx2Yp2](https://goo.gl/forms/Wu0NdL9rzrsYx2Yp2)

Best,

The Interdisciplinary Symposium Planning Committee