

Dear Members of the Georgia Academy of Science,

This is the **FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS** for the 2022 Georgia Academy of Science. The meeting will be held in person at **Valdosta State University March 25-26, 2022**.

Section Chairs should forward this Call for Papers to individuals who are not members of the Academy but are supervising students conducting undergraduate and graduate research.

The abstract submission form (a MS Excel file) that includes abstract submission guidelines and the contact information of presenters can be downloaded from the Georgia Academy Website: <http://www.gaacademy.org/annualmeeting.html>. Please follow the directions provided in the Excel abstract submission form. This file includes, as separate tabs in the spreadsheet, the presenter information form, an abstract form guide that contains instructions and an example of a completed form, and the abstract form to complete. Please follow the directions and proofread the completed tabs in the spreadsheet before submitting.

The **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE** is **Monday, December 6th, 2021**. Presenters should send the completed Abstract Submission form, including the presenter information, as an email attachment to the appropriate Section Chair. Section Chair contact information is available at <http://www.gaacademy.org/sectionofficers.html>. Section Chairs will acknowledge receipt of abstract submissions by contacting by email the **sender(s)** of submitted abstracts. All presenters, and the faculty sponsor (if applicable), **must be members of the Academy**. Membership information is available on the Academy site at: <http://www.gaacademy.org/membership.html>

For research that will not be completed by the abstract submission deadline, abstracts of research in progress will be acceptable.

Registration fees:

Faculty members who have paid dues for 2022: \$135

Student members who have paid dues for 2022: \$50

Faculty non-members: \$170 (includes dues for 2022)

Student non-members: \$60 (includes dues for 2022)

Registration for the meeting will be available soon via a link on the Academy meeting page at <http://www.gaacademy.org/annualmeeting.html>.

Continue to watch your email and consult the Academy meeting page for updates.

Abstracts received by December 6th, 2021 will be submitted to referees for review. Referees will make minor corrections if necessary. If major changes are suggested, referees will notify Section Chairs who will pass those recommendations on to submitters for action. Section Chairs will notify authors of acceptance by January 10th, 2022.

Individuals interested in refereeing submitted abstracts should contact their Section Chair by email and include their area of expertise. Those interested in serving as referees should

familiarize themselves with the abstract criteria and the submission form on the Georgia Academy website.

Faculty are encouraged to present at the meeting, but priority will be given to students if time slots are limiting. Presentations can eventually be converted to manuscripts that can be submitted to the *Georgia Journal of Science* for publication consideration. This is a great opportunity to establish or enhance a publication record for both students and faculty.

Stay safe and stay well.

Best regards,

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