

# Office of Undergraduate Research NCUR 2019 Updates

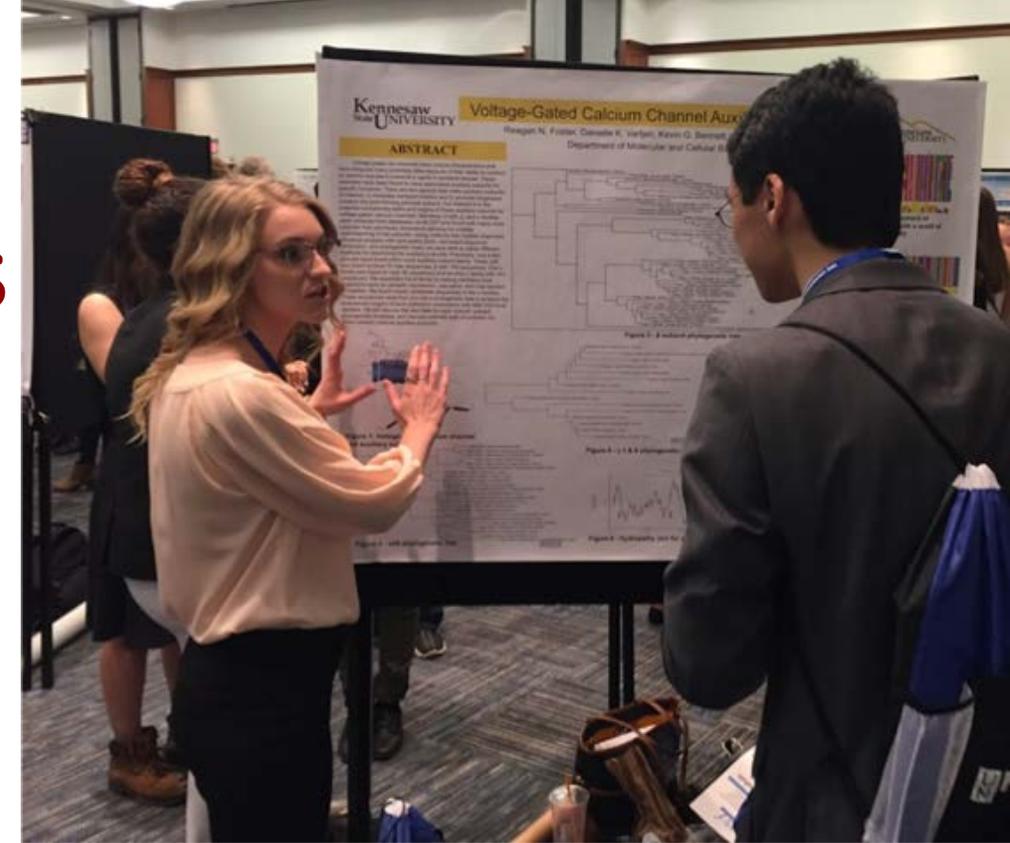
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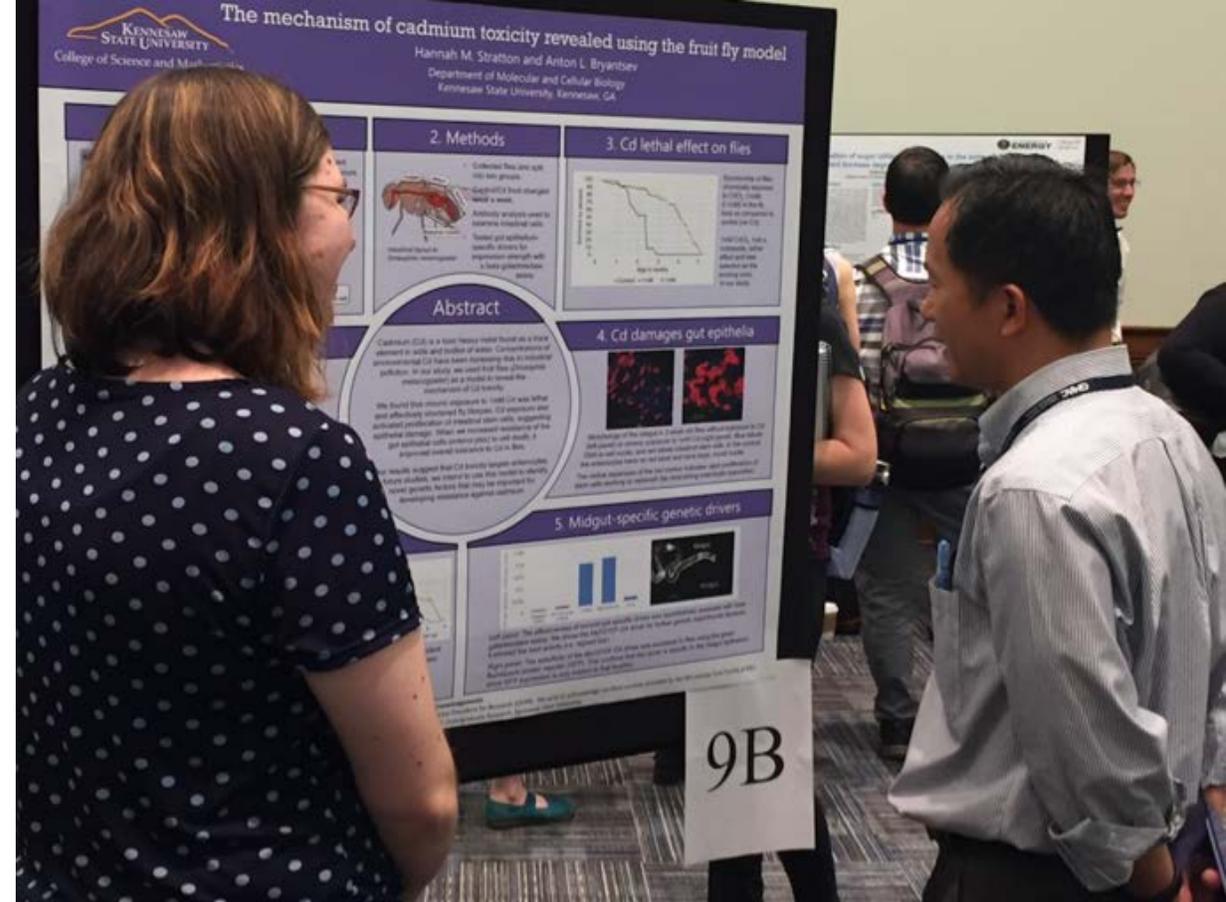
# Office of Undergraduate Research: Events and Programs

- Symposium of Student Scholars
- Student funding (URCA, Posters on the Hill, NCUR 2018)
- Faculty funding (CARET, NCUR 2018)
- Undergraduate Research Club
- Find a project/find a researcher
- Kennesaw Journal of Undergraduate Research (KJUR)
- Workshops, consultations, class presentations
- Join the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) for free
- NCUR 2019



# NCUR 2019: Overview

- The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR)
  - April 11-13, 2019
  - Kennesaw campus
- In 2017 (at the University of Memphis)
  - Nearly 400 institutions
  - 47 U.S. states
  - 4,139 attendees
  - Over 4,000 abstracts submitted (~88% acceptance rate)
- Estimated economic impact
  - \$2.1 to \$2.5 million for Cobb County and surrounding area
  - \$100,000 and \$300,000 in revenue for KSU



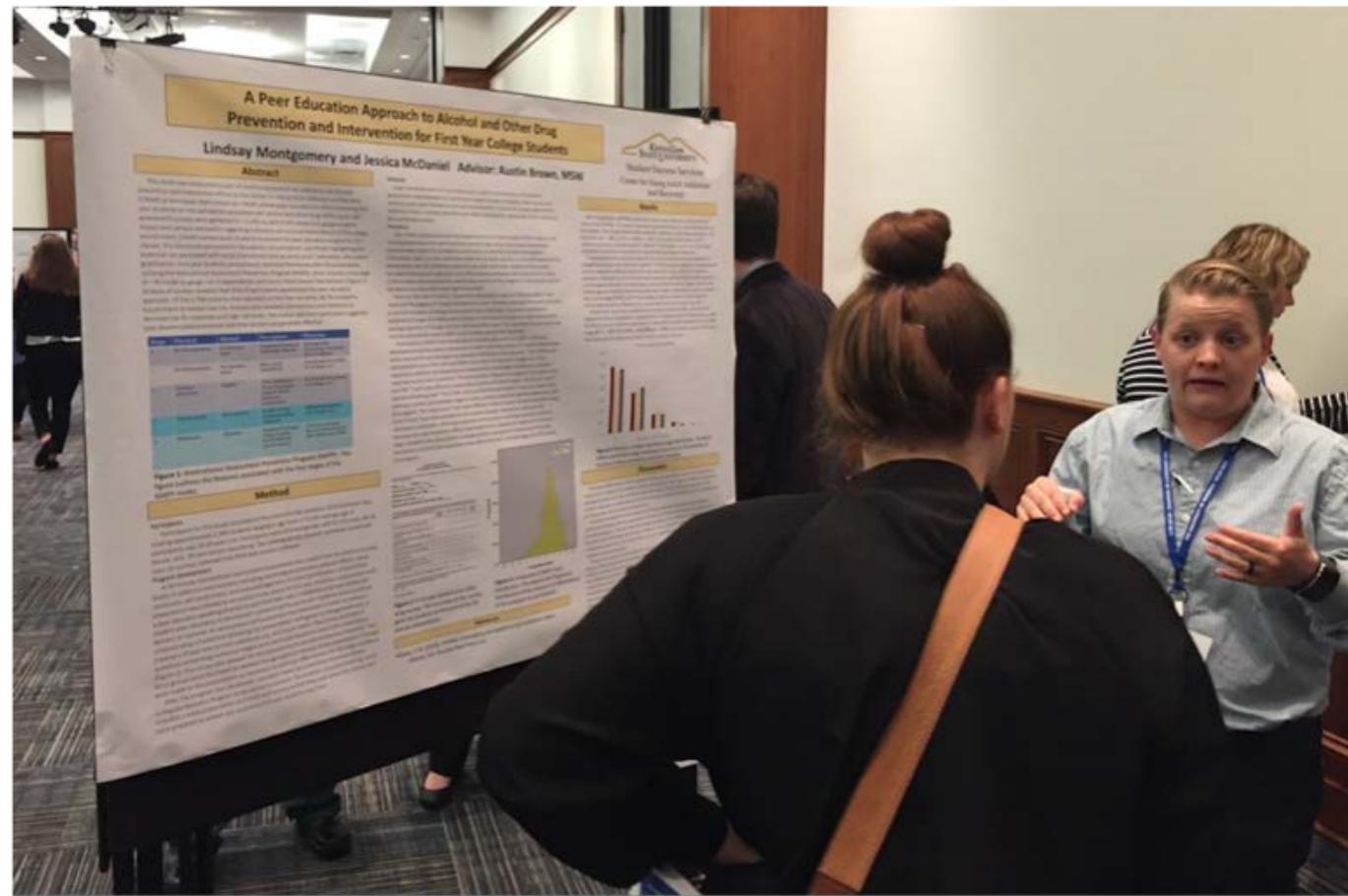
# NCUR 2019: Types of Sessions

- Student Presentations
  - Posters
  - Oral presentations
  - Visual arts displays
  - Performances
- Student-Focused Programming
  - Workshops (e.g., applying to grad school)
  - Graduate/professional school fair
  - Career fair
  - Departmental open houses



# NCUR 2019 at KSU: Types of Sessions

- Departmental open houses
  - Recruit NCUR attendees to come to KSU
  - Promote facilities and program
  - Connect students from the same major
  - Thursday April 11, 2019 around 4pm
  - Shuttles to the Marietta campus departments
  - If a department hosts an open house, the chair will be provided the emails for accepted students/faculty mentors so you can advertise your open house before the event



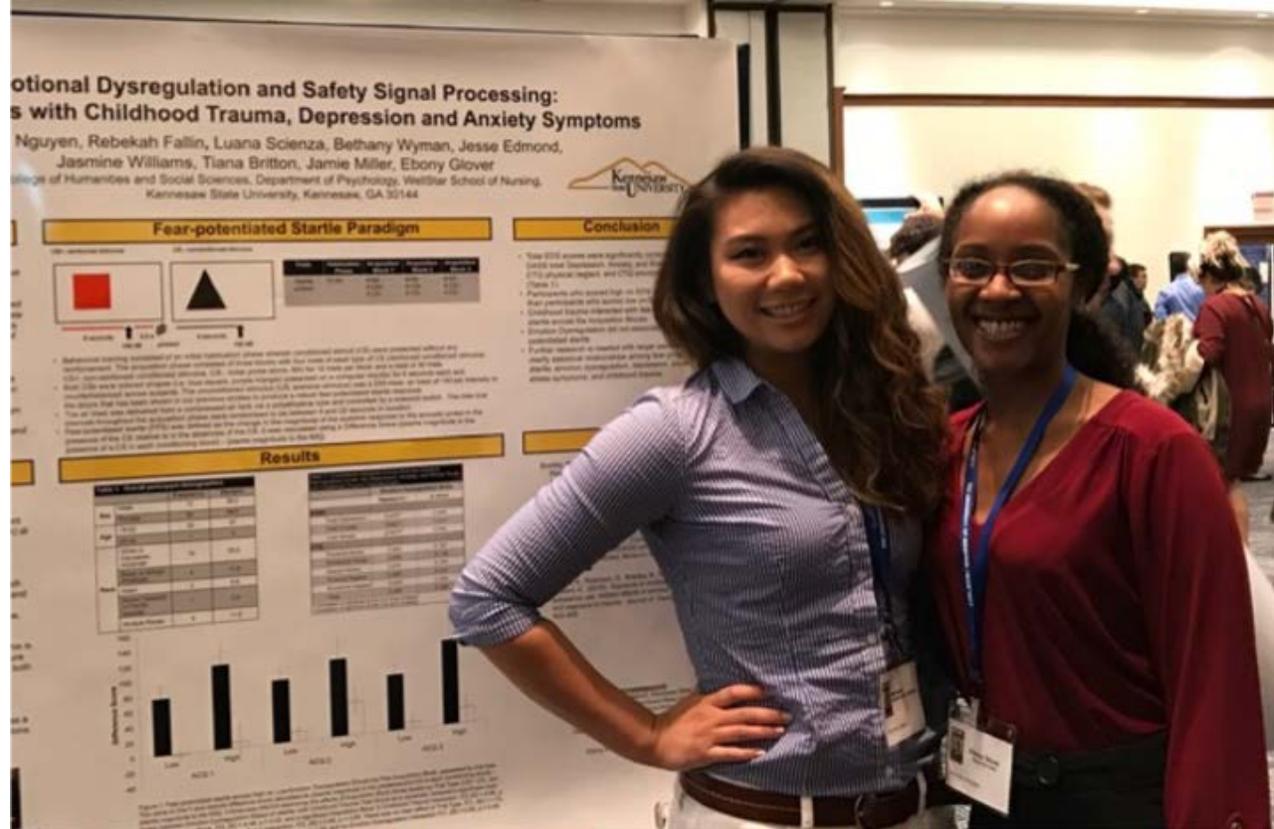
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- Other sessions and events
  - Faculty sessions (1 hr/day)
  - Plenary speakers (one per day)
  - “Big Event” on Friday evening
  - Optional excursions
    - Typically begin Saturday afternoon
    - Extra costs for attendees



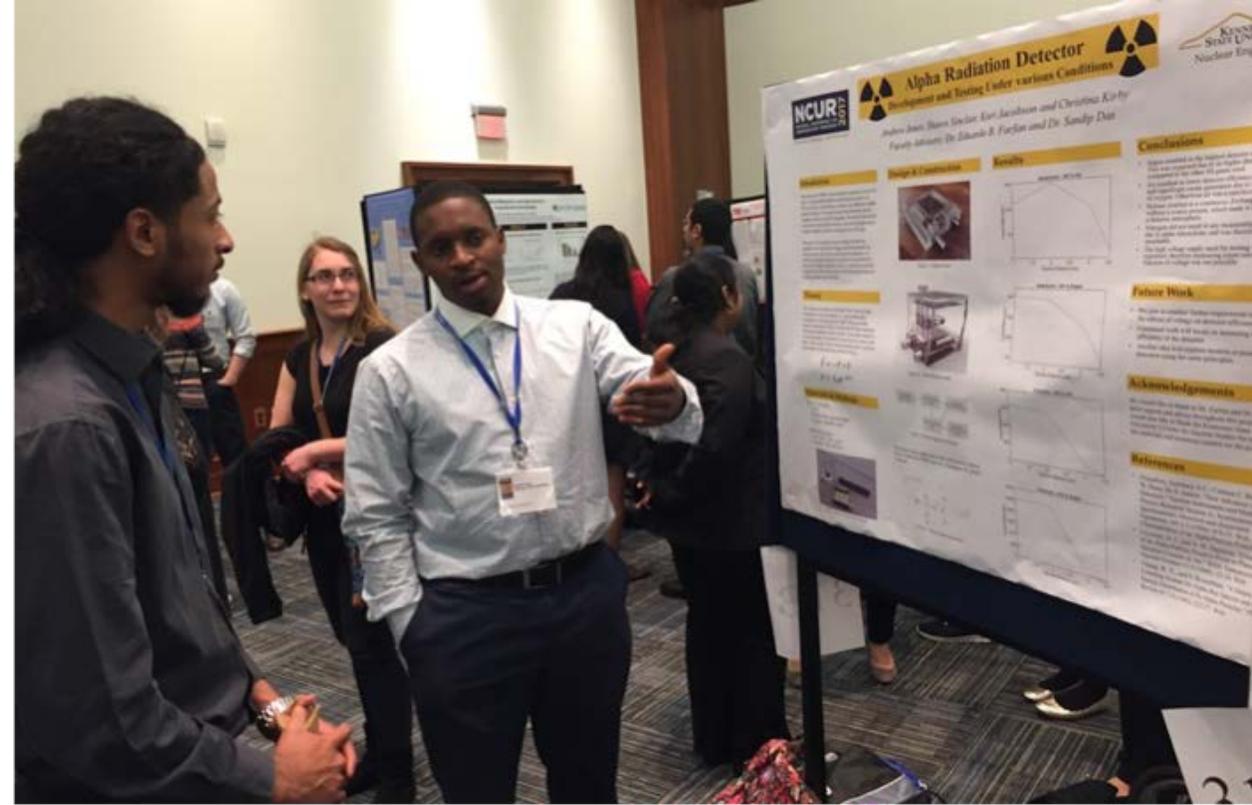
# NCUR 2019 at KSU

- Volunteers needed! (~700)
- For example:
  - Moderating oral presentation sessions (faculty)
  - Reviewing abstracts (faculty)
  - Staffing the registration tables (students)
  - Helping lost attendees find buildings (students)
  - Planning the conference (everyone)



# NCUR 2019 at KSU

- Timing of the conference
  - *Not* during Spring Break so KSU students are here and can benefit
- Classes will be redirected to the conference:
  - We would like our students to be able to present, volunteer, and attend sessions
  - Faculty are needed as volunteers (and to support their own undergraduate researchers who are presenting at the conference)
  - A conference of this size is going to take over much of the campus space; it isn't possible to also hold classes
  - Faculty are encouraged to create assignments where students attend sessions in their discipline and write reflections about the experience



# Administrative Involvement in NCUR 2019 Planning

- UITS (technology needs for the conference, mobile app, project management)
- Athletics (event planning, budgeting)
- Transportation & Parking (shuttles between hotels and campus, parking at NCUR)
- Student Life (event planning, volunteers)
- University Relations (marketing)
- University Development (sponsors)
- Public Safety/Campus Police (safety at the conference)
- University Catering (breakfasts and lunches)
- Events (securing on-campus space)

# Thank You!

Questions or  
comments?

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