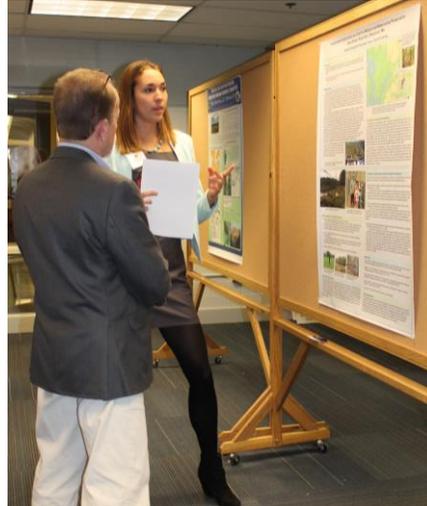
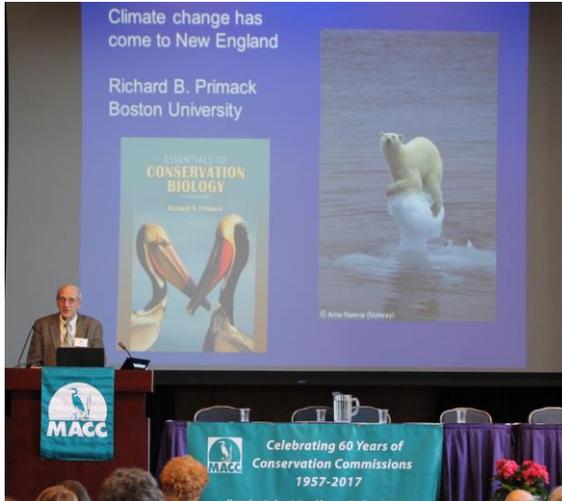


MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION COMMISSIONS
ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE 2018
STUDENT POSTER SESSION



MACC's Second Student Poster Session will be held on March 3, 2018 at the Annual Environmental Conference (AEC). The poster session is an opportunity to promote and highlight your thesis work or special project to more 700 attendees at the conference. MACC seeks poster submissions from college undergraduate and graduate students.

Cash awards and certificates will be given for the top three poster presentations. Generously sponsored by Epsilon Associates, Inc., of Maynard, MA, cash prizes will be:

- \$500 for first place;
- \$250 for second place; and
- \$100 for third place.

Winners will be announced at the President's Reception (the final event of the day).

Poster Submissions

Any student interested in displaying a poster at the AEC must complete the attached submission form. *Please limit your abstract to the space provided on the form.* If accepted, poster display numbers will be provided to presenters in a follow-up email. Student poster presenters are invited to attend the conference for free.

Poster Guidelines

All illustrations and lettering must be prepared beforehand. The poster display is not to be solely the typed manuscript pinned to the poster board. The display should be arranged in a logical, coherent fashion and must fit a **maximum display area of 30 inches wide by 42 inches high**. Posters must provide the following information:

- Title;
- Author name(s) and affiliation(s);
- Acknowledgements, including sources of support or funding;

- Background/Introduction;
- Objectives;
- Materials and methods;
- Appropriate visuals including charts, graphs, photographs, etc.;
- Conclusion and discussion; and,
- References, if applicable.
- MACC will supply the poster mounting frames and push-pins. Students are responsible for any materials or supplies needed to present the poster. No audiovisual or electrical outlets are provided for poster presentations.
- Remember: Keep your message concise.

Poster Presentation Schedule

Posters must be set up on Saturday morning between 8:00 am – 8:30 am. Presenters must be available to stand by their posters from: 8:30 am – 9:45 am and 11:45 am – 1:15 pm. It is essential that the presenter be available at those times for discussion, questions and answers, and judging. A boxed lunch will be available to presenter.

Posters must be removed by 3:30 pm.

Potential Poster Topics

MACC welcomes student creativity on environmental topics. Our members particularly appreciate topics related to wetlands, climate change, and aquatic resources. The following are suggested topics:

- Adaptive Management for Aquatic Ecosystems in a Changing Climate
- Assessing the Effects of Climate Change & Sea Level Rise on Coastal Resources
- Best Management Practices for Climate Change Adaptation
- Coastal and Inland: Carbon, Water and Energy Cycling in a Changing Environment
- Effective Communication and Stakeholder Engagement for Conservation Commission Activities and Responsibilities
- Future-proof Wetlands/Wetland Adaptations to Climate Extremes
- Hydrological Controls on the Wetland Carbon Cycle
- Increasing the Impact of Citizen Science in Support of Wetland Science
- Lessons Learned in Coastal Restoration
- Monitoring and Assessing Restored or Created Wetlands
- Wetland Monitoring & Assessment Tools in New England and the Northeast
- Wetland, Stream, other Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration
- Putting Blue Carbon Science to Work to Protect Coastal Wetlands
- Riparian Restoration: Processes, Approaches and Management in Stream and Wetland Systems
- Uncommon Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration: Salt Ponds, Vernal Pools, Bogs, etc.
- Status & Challenges of Wetland-Dependent Wildlife Management
- Wetlands Career Development
- Wetlands Vulnerability to Climate Change & Creating Resiliency