



POSTER PRESENTATIONS: CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

To be presented during the
*The Salim El-Hoss Bioethics and Professionalism Program at the American University of
Beirut, Faculty of Medicine*
3rd regional conference

*September 14-15, 2012
Golden Tulip Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon*

Does your institution have an innovative program in bioethics that you would like to share with other colleagues? Are you conducting research involving **bioethics issues in the Arab world?** Consider presenting a poster at the **2012 SHBPP 3rd Regional Conference**, which will be held at the Golden Tulip Hotel, in Beirut, Lebanon on September 14-15, 2012.

Posters may be based upon either new program initiatives or empirical research, and fit into one of two categories:

- **Programmatic Abstracts** describe novel or innovative approaches related to biomedical ethics in universities. If you have developed and implemented a successful new program this year, please consider sharing it with your colleagues.
- **Scientific Abstracts** address empirical studies related to bioethics; conference attendees are eager to learn what is happening in the Arab World in that area.

This is your chance to share your experience and be part of a lively public space where information and experience is shared and discussed.

Deadline for submitting your poster abstract is July 15, 2012
Decisions will be sent via email to submitting authors by August 1, 2012

Those who submit abstracts are asked to prepare an abstract of 400 words that contain the following information for either type of abstract:

Programmatic	Scientific
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A statement of the problem or issue the program is intended to address, including a definition of the intended outcome • A thorough description of the program • Details about how the program was evaluated • Suggestions for future program usage at your home institution • Suggestions for implementation at other sites • Any other relevant information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A statement on the background conditions that spurred your research • Research question and/or hypothesis • An explanation of research methods, including sample size justification and analytic methods • Results of the study • Conclusions drawn from empirical data • Limitations of the study, results, and/or conclusions • Next steps

Criteria for Review

All abstracts are reviewed according to the following criteria:

Programmatic	Scientific
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevance to conference themes and objectives (Is the abstract relevant to bioethics research or education?) • Adherence to format and submission guidelines • Clarity of content • Originality of content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarity of research (Extent to which the abstract is based on scientific methodology-Is there a study question or hypothesis?) • Relevance to conference themes and objectives (Is the abstract relevant to bioethics research in the Arab World?) • Effectiveness of methodology (Are there data? Are the data analyzed?) • Extent to which biases and limitations are addressed • Generalizability (applicability of the results to other settings)

The poster display board:

The poster display board will be 4' x 6', with an approximately 1" metal border. The background color will be a neutral color cloth. Kindly keep the poster simple: clear, concise, and organized. The text should be readable from a few feet away. The top "banner" should include the title, authors, and affiliations. The following link offers examples of how a research poster is organized <http://library.buffalo.edu/libraries/asl/guides/bio/posters.html>. It provides an extensive list of helpful tips and resources for preparing your poster.

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