

## **MAATA CALL FOR STUDENT PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS**

### **Submission Deadline: March 20, 2017 by 11:59pm**

Abstracts are currently being accepted for the 2017 Student Free Communications Presentation at the Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers' Symposium held May 19-21, 2017 in Virginia Beach, VA. Any student abstract accepted for presentation at the National Athletic Trainers' Association Annual Conference and Symposium is also eligible for presentation at the MAATA Student Symposium. Abstracts submitted for presentation may include original research or clinical case studies.

### **Eligible Participants:**

Non-certified undergraduate students or entry-level masters' students enrolled in a college or university within District III.

### **Review of Submissions:**

All abstracts will undergo a blind review by the Selection Committee. Abstracts that do not meet the submission and format criteria will not be reviewed.

### **Format Criteria:**

1. Abstracts should be typed (letter quality) no smaller than elite (12 dpi) or 10-point font
2. Abstracts must fit on a single 8.5 x 11 page with a minimum of one-inch margins.
3. Type title of study in all CAPITALS, beginning on the left margin.
4. On the next line, indent 3 spaces and type names of authors with the presenting author listed first. Type the author's last name, then initials (no periods), commas should be used to separate authors. After the last author, insert a colon.
5. Following the colon, indicate the institution where research was conducted.
6. Follow the Abstract Content Format described below with respect to original research or clinical case study abstracts.
7. Word Count: 450 for original research or 600 for case study. The word count includes the body of the abstract and required headings. Please generate a word count using Microsoft Word and include at the end of the abstract (after key words)

### **Submission Instructions:**

1. Abstracts must be **submitted electronically via the sponsoring faculty member**; the faculty member must assure in the email that the abstract follows formatting and submission criteria and is of professional quality.
2. Additionally, a **blinded abstract** and the **cover letter** must be submitted electronically by the sponsoring faculty member to: [ehildebrand@towson.edu](mailto:ehildebrand@towson.edu)  
Please title the email: *MAATA Abstract Submission*.
3. When sending files electronically, please title your (3) files as follows (title email as 2017 MAATA Abstract submission)  
Full Abstract- use your last name, abstract (ex. Mannersabstract.doc)  
Blind copy- use your last name, blind (ex. Mannersblind.doc)  
Cover letter- use your last name, cover (ex. Mannerscover.doc)

### **Option for Poster Presentation:**

Please indicate in your cover letter if you would like to be considered for a poster presentation if the submission is not selected for an oral presentation. If you only want to be considered for poster presentation please indicate that as well.

**Abstract Content:**

Using headers, please include the appropriate content areas, as listed below. Please submit the abstract in one single paragraph.

**Original Research:**

Objective, Design and Setting, Subjects, Measurements, Results, Conclusions, Key Words, Word Count

**Clinical Case Study:**

Objective, Background, Differential Diagnosis, Treatment, Uniqueness, Conclusions, Key Words, Word Count

**Cover Letter:**

Each abstract must be accompanied by a cover letter and must include the following contact information for the presenter:

Program Director or Faculty Sponsor's name and email address  
Mailing address of presenter  
Phone number of presenter  
Fax number of presenter  
Email address of presenter  
Title of the abstract  
First and Last Names and academic year of students presenting (limited to 2 students!)

**Notification:**

Selection for an oral presentation or a poster presentation will occur by **April 8, 2017**. The submitted abstract will be utilized for the conference proceedings unless otherwise notified. Upon notification, students who accept will NOT receive any complimentary registration and/or hotel room night.

**Presentation Submission:**

All final PowerPoint presentations for oral presentations are due by May 15, 2017 via email to Emily Hildebrand at [ehildebrand@towson.edu](mailto:ehildebrand@towson.edu). *Students are strongly encouraged to bring an additional copy of the presentation with them to the symposium. Make sure you upload all image and video files onto your portable drive device along with the powerpoint presentation.*

**Presentation Guidelines:**

Each presenting group should consist of one or two (1 – 2) student presenters. Presentations will be 15 minutes in length, including a brief question and answer period. The faculty sponsor is responsible for making sure the presentation is of professional quality.

**For further information, please contact:**

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