**Department of Science and Technology**

**SCIENCE EDUCATION INSTITUTE**

**13th ASTHRDP GRADUATE SCHOLARS' CONFERENCE**

## ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The DOST-Science Education Institute, in collaboration with the Accelerated Science and Technology Human Resource Development Program - National Science Consortium (ASTHRDP-NSC), will hold the **13th ASTHRDP Graduate Scholars' Conference** with the theme: *"Advancing Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship for the Well-being of Every Filipino"* on **18–19 September 2025** at **Cagayan De Oro City, Misamis Oriental**.

This annual conference is a venue for ASTHRDP scholars to present their research outputs, build networks, and further their knowledge on the trends and developments in science and technology that will enable them to contribute more significantly to the scientific community and specifically to Filipino society.

If you would like to present your research at this year's conference, please thoroughly read the guidelines before completing a submission.

# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## GUIDELINES

### I. APPLICATION

1. **Eligibility**:
   Ongoing ASTHRDP scholars in their thesis or dissertation stage with at least 80% results and graduates of AY 2024-2025 who have not yet presented their theses or dissertations in the past Graduate Scholars' Conferences are eligible to submit their abstracts.

2. **Categories**:
   The research topic must fall into one of the categories listed below:

| | CATEGORY | TOPIC |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Agricultural Sciences** | Agriculture, Forestry, Crop Science, Animal Science, Agricultural Science, and Fisheries |
| 2 | **Environmental Sciences** | Natural Resources Management, Environmental Science, Climate Science, Ecology, and Marine Science |
| 3 | **Biological & Health Sciences** | Biology, Biotechnology, Health, and Pharmaceutical Sciences |
| 4 | **Physical Sciences** | Chemical, Earth and Atmospheric, Space, Material Science, Nanotech, Pure and Applied Physics |
| 5 | **Mathematical and Computational Sciences** | Information Technology, Computer Science, Pure and Applied Mathematics |

For interdisciplinary papers, the scholar may indicate the category that is closest to his/her research. The final category shall be assigned by the Committee on Papers.

### 3. Format and Word Count:

The research abstract must follow the [template] and have a maximum of **250-word count**.

### 4. Endorsement:

Abstract submissions must be endorsed by the respective ASTHRDP Project Leader and Thesis/Dissertation Adviser.

### 5. Submission:

Scholars should submit their abstracts in **Word format** based on the [template] provided (*with copyable digital text*) through the **[Submission Portal]**. This is to ensure the abstract text will be

copyable for posting on the website and the souvenir program. The file name format should be followed:

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LastName, Firstname_ResearchTitle.docx
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*(Figure 1. File name format of the abstract)*

**Important Note**: Scholars should also submit scanned copy of their abstracts in PDF format signed by their respective Thesis/Dissertation Adviser and ASTHRDP Project Leader.

**Important Note**: An *indico* account is required to submit your abstracts in the **[Submission Portal]**. If you do not have an *indico* account yet, follow the steps provided here: **[Indico Guide]**.

### 6. Schedule:

The call for abstracts **starts on 5th June 2025 and ends on 5th July 2025 at 11:59 PM**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

## II. ACCEPTANCE AND CONFIRMATION

1. **Notice of Acceptance**:
   The scholars will be notified of their type of presentation (Oral or Poster) after the abstracts are evaluated by the Screening Committee.

2. **Confirmation of Participation**:
   Scholars must confirm their participation in the conference **within five (5) days** of receipt of the Notice of Acceptance. Once confirmed, the scholar **MUST attend** the conference.

   Failure to do so shall mean that the scholar has to refund the cost of his/her participation (food, transportation fare (if applicable), collaterals, poster board rental, etc.).

### III. DATES TO REMEMBER

**Table 1. Timeline of the Scientific Papers Committee:**

| Date | Activities |
|------|------------|
| **June 5** | Start of Call for Abstracts |
| **July 5** | End of Call for Abstracts |
| **July 6** | Start of the Screening Process |
| **July 17** | End of the Screening Process |
| **July 22** | Dissemination of Notices of Acceptance |

**Table 2. Additional Deadlines:**

| Date | Activities |
|------|------------|
| **July 29** | **Deadline for Confirmation of Participation** |
| **July 30** | Dissemination of Guidelines to Oral/Poster Presenters |
| **July 31** | Submission of the Final List of Presenters to SEI |

### IV. Further Inquiries

For further inquiries or concerns, you may contact us through csm.asthrdp2025@g.msuiit.edu.ph or the ASTHRDP Conference official **Facebook page**.