

Re: 2021-2022 Annual Report (Student Showcase Organizing Committee)

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On October 4 and November 8, 2021, the committee met to discuss plans and ideas for the Fall Student Showcase on November 17, 2021. This was the fourth Fall Showcase that we planned and the first hybrid Fall Showcase. Overall, the Fall Student Showcase for Research and Creative Inquiry 2021 went very well. We decided to use the ForagerOne Symposium platform to host the virtual poster presentations for the Fall Showcase. The oral presentations were conducted in person. We received 225 presentation submissions in total, with 158 being pre-recorded poster presentations and 67 being live, in-person presentations. Over 400 students participated in the event. During the event, there were 2,970 visits to the ForagerOne event site and 10,809 unique presentation views. We also added a new Best Student Presentation Award during the Fall 2021 Student Showcase and we awarded 15 Best Student Presentation Awards.

The committee also met on February 16 and March 24, 2022 to discuss plans and ideas for the in-person Spring Student Showcase on April 20, 2022. This was the first completely in-person Student Showcase for Research and Creative Inquiry event since Fall 2019 (pre-Covid). More than 450 students presented at the Spring 2022 Student Showcase. There were 274 student presentations in total, with 188 poster presentations, 83 oral presentations, and 3 performances. Other highlights of the Spring 2022 Student Showcase included a Keynote Address by Ms. Shayla Betts and the Longwood Excellence in Research and Creative Inquiry and *Incite* Award Ceremony. There also was a special Inclusive Excellence Symposium on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and Belonging research. This all-day special symposium featured student presentations on DEIB research topics.

Links to the programs for the Fall and Spring Student Showcase programs can be found here:

<http://solomon.longwood.edu/media/spring-symposium-for-research-and-creative-inquiry/solomon/Fall-Showcase-2021-Program.pdf>

<http://solomon.longwood.edu/media/student-research/solomon/Spring-Showcase-2022-PROGRAM-.pdf>