**Von Braun Symposium**

**Student Poster Competition**

**Call for Abstracts**

UAHuntsville is hosting the 3rd Annual Von Braun Symposium on October 25th through October 27th. This event is sponsored by the American Astronomical Society. The symposium, "21st Century Approaches to the Use and Development of Space," will bring together several high ranking government and corporate officials from the aerospace community. The fact that the symposium will be on campus this year provides a wonderful opportunity to showcase the capabilities of our students. With that in mind we are releasing this call for abstracts outlining student design and research projects that would be good candidates for a Student Poster Competition which will be a center piece of this year’s Symposium. Students please submit an abstract and faculty please encourage your students to submit an abstract. Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to participate. Preference will be given to current UAHuntsville students.

 The abstracts should include the title of the design or research project and a brief summary of the focus of the project (i.e., 250 words maximum) – the project should show be relevant to the aerospace industry. The areas could include research in atmospheric science, aerospace systems engineering and design, space physics, economics, business, policy, sustainability, history, international relations, education, STEM outreach initiatives or related areas. It is expected that the student will notify his or her advisor that they are submitting an abstract and will seek their advisors guidance or advice regarding the poster content.

Abstracts may be submitted at <http://tinyurl.com/VBSposters>

**Abstracts are due by 9:00pm CDT Friday, October 8th.** All submissions will be reviewed and the authors will be notified of acceptance by 5:00pm CDT Tuesday, October 12th.

If accepted, the poster will be due by 5:00pm CDT Tuesday, October 19th. (Electronic template will be provided)

Poster Session Participation Schedule:

Tuesday October 26th

* The posters are to be setup prior to noon
* The student will stand by their posters starting at 5:15pm during the evening reception

Wednesday October 27th

* Morning hours - Formal judging of the posters (students are not to be present during judging)
* Noon - The announcement of the winner(s) of the student poster competition will be at the luncheon. Student participants are requested to attend the luncheon.

If you have any questions contact Dr. Phil Farrington at farrinp@uah.edu