The University of the Virgin Islands (UVI) issues a call for abstracts for the 7th annual *UVI Research Day*, which is scheduled to be held on **Friday, April 20, 2018**. UVI faculty, students and staff are invited to submit abstracts of approximately 200 words or less for research papers and presentations. We strongly urge teaching and research faculty to encourage the participation of students engaged in all levels of research. Undergraduate student poster entries will be judged on several research criteria and given a chance to win an award of $500.00 based on the merits of their judged poster presentation. This year, a faculty research award will be conferred on the best faculty research poster presentation. Faculty presentations should be focused on successful communication to the public, of the kind that would reach “a grandmother”. Research should be useful and have applied value. The faculty research award is in the amount of $1000.00, one on each campus.

We welcome research projects from all areas and on all topics to demonstrate the research talent at UVI. The formats (posters and round-tables) are intended to encourage presentations and discussion of projects at different stages of development, as well as to foster intellectual exchange and collaboration. Demonstrations that will be of interest to high school seniors are encouraged as well. Attending the event will be our UVI students, high school students and the public at large.


**Format Description**

1. **POSTER**

   Poster sessions allow participants to present their research and have informal discussions with attendees.

2. **ROUND-TABLE**

   Round-tables will allow a group of participants along with general attendees to assemble with the goal of generating discussion around a shared research interest

3. **DEMONSTRATION**

   Demonstrations will allow attendees to see or experience something related to one of the STEM fields.

The submission deadline for abstracts is **Sunday, Feb. 25, 2018**. Please register at [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UVI-Research-Day2018](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UVI-Research-Day2018). Abstracts received after the deadline will not be printed in the abstract booklet. E-mail questions to uviresearchday@uvi.edu.