



**2024 Virtual Grad Slam Competition Application
California State University, Bakersfield**

Application Deadline: Friday, November 15, 2024, by 12 Midnight

The CSUB Grad Slam is a campus-wide competition for the best 3-minute research presentation aimed at a non-specialist audience that showcases graduate student research. Competitors will be judged based on their ability to communicate key concepts from their research and engage their audience. **The competition will be held on Friday, December 6, 2023, from 3-5pm via Zoom.**

Applicants are encouraged to attend the following workshops as they prepare their presentation.

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| October 25, 2024 | 3:00 – 4:00 pm | Grad Slam 101 | Informational Session |
| November 8, 2024 | 3:00 – 4:00 pm | Grad Slam 201 | Effective Presentations |
| November 15, 2024 | 3:00 – 4:00 pm | Grad Slam 301 | Public Speaking and Delivery |
| December 3, 2024 | 6:00 – 8:00 pm | | Grad Slam Rehearsal |

PowerPoint/Presentation Requirements:

- The competition slide will have to meet a 4:3 ratio. Other slides will not be accepted. No animations or “movements” of any kind are allowed.
- It is strongly recommended to keep the slide simple! Do *not* use complex composites. Make the image as big as possible and, if possible, do *not* include text.
- Ideally, the only text is the title of the slide, but the image, not the title should dominate the slide.
- If a label is necessary, use of a large font is recommended!
- If photos, graphics, graphs, or illustrations included on the slide were not solely created by the presenter, a reference to the original source must be included at the bottom of the slide.
- A pointer may not be used; clear and descriptive language should make the slide self-explanatory.
- The focus is on the presenter’s speech, which should be informative and comprehensible to a lay audience- even without a slide.

For further information, contact: Graduate Student Center at gsc@csub.edu

Instructions: To apply, please submit this form to your faculty advisor for approval. Once you have received a signature, please submit the application to the Graduate Student Center to gsc@csub.edu by 11/15/24 by 12 Midnight. **Research involving Human or Animal Subjects requires prior IACUC/IRB approval.**

Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Graduate Program: _____

Graduate Program Advisor: _____

Presentation Title (20 words or less): _____

Attach your slide (in color) and script (350-400 words).

Graduate Program Advisor Signature: _____

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