

Alabama AFS Members and Students,

I hope this finds you well. Our 2024 Annual Meeting has been planned for February 21-22nd at Lake Guntersville State Park. This promises to be a great meeting at a great venue. I hope that all professionals and students consider giving an oral or poster presentation to share your work with the group. Registration will open on October 13, 2023. Please follow the link for registration and meeting information -<https://alabama.fisheries.org/2023-alafs-meeti...ship-application/>. I look forward to seeing all of you at Lake Guntersville.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

This is the 1st call for abstracts for the 2024 Alabama Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting. The program and timing of presentations will be determined by abstract submissions and content. We look forward to seeing you in January and hope you consider presenting. Please see the abstract submission instructions below. Please submit abstract to Katelyn Lawson – klawson@auburn.edu. This is the first call, and I will send out periodic reminders as we near meeting time.

Abstract Submission Instructions:

Email abstracts to **klawson@auburn.edu** by 5:00 PM, **January 19, 2024**. Abstracts (**300 words MAX**) should be submitted as an attached Word document or PDF (FONT: Arial, SIZE: 12 point). Questions, call (334) 844-5017.

PLEASE arrange your abstract submittal in the following order and indicate if you are a student presenter:

1. **Presenting Author** (with student status (Student), email and work phone #):
2. **Presentation Title:**
3. **Names of Presenting Author, Co-author(s)**
4. **Author, Co-author(s) Work Address**
5. **Abstract** (300 words **MAX**):
6. **Preferred Presentation type:** Oral or Poster
7. **ADD a brief, 1-2 sentence Bio (home state, prior school or work background, current project(s), major professor)**

EXAMPLE:

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Comparison of two statistical models to assess Centrarchid recruitment

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We employed the use of two statistical models to investigate recruitment of age-0 to age-1 Largemouth Bass, *Micropterus salmoides* and Black Crappie, *Pomoxis nigromaculatus*.....**ABSTRACTS SHOULD NOT EXCEED 300 WORDS.**

Oral presentation

Bio: I grew up in Okay, OK. Graduated in 2015 (B.S. Biology) from U. of Kansas . My thesis work is on the TN River Largemouth Bass recruitment project under Dr. Xo.

NOTE: If the number of oral presentations submitted exceeds the agenda schedule time, we may either extend the schedule into Thursday afternoon or contact authors to consider poster presentations based on order received. We plan to accommodate everyone as best we can.