BDP students are encouraged to present a poster of their research or internship Connecting Experiences at the annual BDP Poster Session, held each April as part of UT’s Research Week. Digital Arts & Media students can showcase their creative projects at the event, as well.

**What is a poster?**

A poster is a large-format visual communication tool that allows you to present your research or internship experience in a clear, concise, graphic format. Posters can be made at any stage of research or while you are still completing an internship. Your work does not need to be complete in order to present a poster.

**What happens at the BDP Poster Session?**

The BDP Poster Session is an event where students display the posters they’ve created about their research and internship experiences in an encouraging and supportive environment. Digital Arts & Media students set up their creative projects as interactive displays on laptops. Attendees—including BDP students, faculty, staff, and invited guests—view posters and discuss projects with presenters in order to gain a better understanding of the student’s work and provide feedback.

**Making a poster allows you to…**

- Engage with members of the UT community to tell them about your experiences.
- Build your resume by participating in a research-oriented event.
- Learn how to communicate your ideas and findings—a critical step of the research process.
- Get feedback on your work.

**I’ve never made a poster. How do I begin?**

Speak with your BDP advisor to indicate your interest in presenting a poster. Your advisor will connect you with the resources available to BDP students such as poster templates, editing assistance, and FREE printing.

Each spring, the BDPs and the Office of Undergraduate Research host a series of workshops for students interested in presenting a poster. Check our calendar for specific dates! Also, the Office of Undergraduate Research has a poster guide online at [https://ugs.utexas.edu/our/poster](https://ugs.utexas.edu/our/poster).

If you have questions or concerns about creating a poster or the BDP Poster Session, contact Joanna Tryon at joanna.tryon@austin.utexas.edu.