Research and Creative Activities Fair Fall 2021



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What is research?

Systematic investigation of a question or topic

Tends to have a question/problem, investigation, and a conclusion

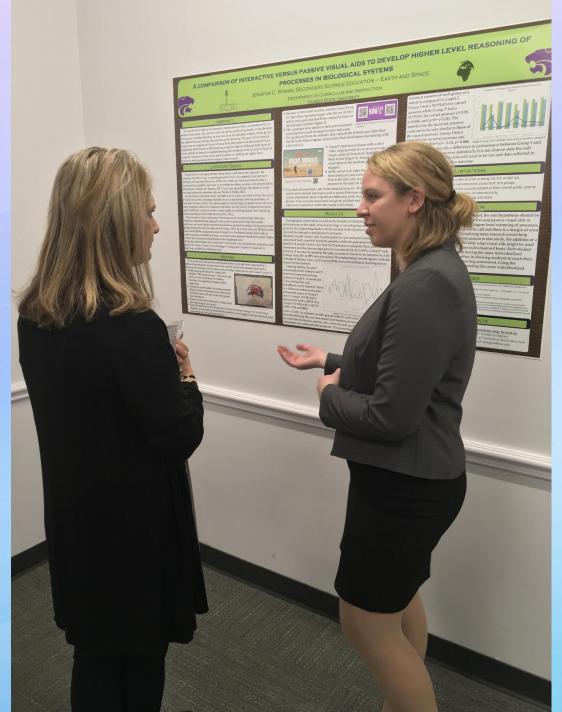
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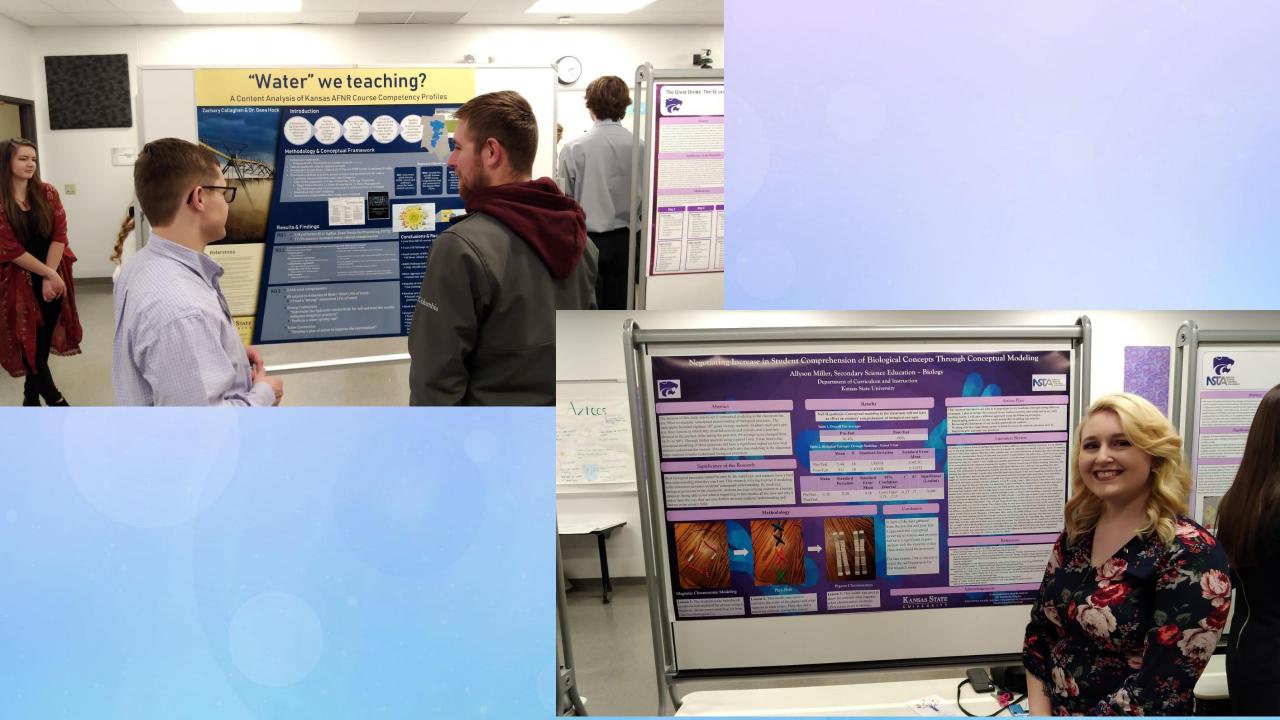
Christine Warren -Developing Intercultural Sensitivity

Katelyn Bohnenblust and Zachary Callaghan - Measuring the Knowledge, Self-Efficacy and Satisfaction of Students Attending the Kansas Youth Water Advocates Conference

Application (IRB)







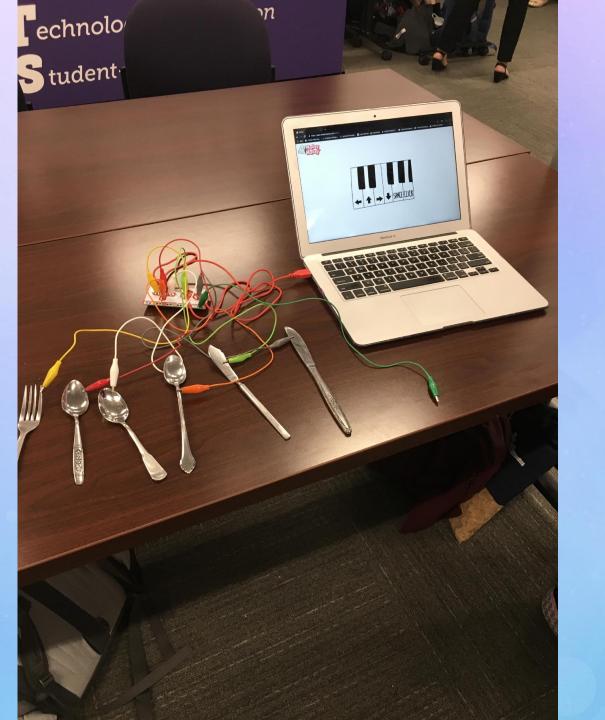
What are creative endeavors?

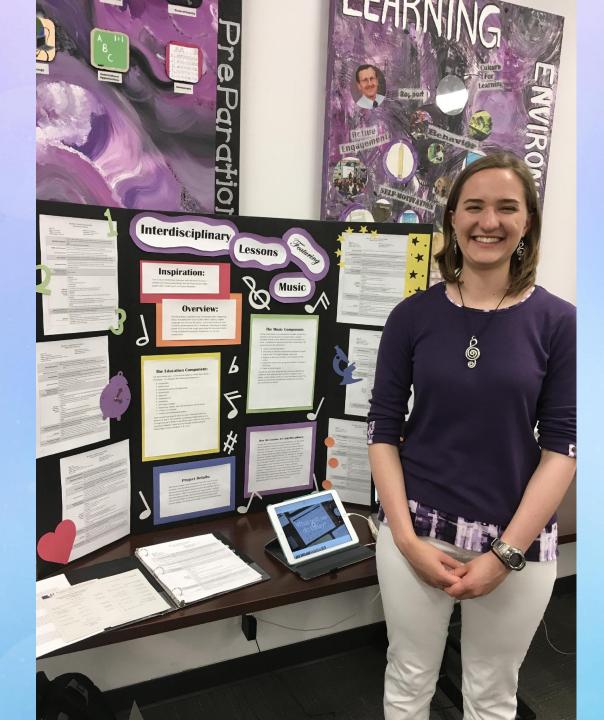
Focus on developing an expressive, artistic, or unique way to approach a problem, issue, lesson/unit, or project

Examples:

Molly Morgan and Christa Elliot - Theater Production of "Where the Wild Things Are"

Robin Daniels, Madeline Ebling, and Kaylee Gunzelman - Konza Prairie Virtual Reality Game









What do I need to do to be involved in the RCAF?

- Have an interest in presenting something that you have investigated or participated in that is related to education
 - This is more than "a best lesson" it is a thoughtful presentation of how the research/project has influenced your thinking and work as an educator
- Have a faculty sponsor they will review your work before presenting
- Design a presentation (have something visual to talk about)
 - Poster, trifold, and/or objects
 - PowerPoint or other presentation platform (Slides, Sway, Smore, Spark)
- Sign-up and commit to present https://forms.gle/9qfP34qML2AJAv3w6
- Present on Thursday, Dec. 2nd from 3:30-5 pm in-person BH 119





"It's one thing to be a teacher. It's another thing to be a teacher leader. Teachers become leaders of other teachers by developing their own ideas through reflection and creativity, and by sharing what they learned. This fair gives our students an opportunity to see themselves as professionals with ideas and experiences worth sharing with their peers."

Dr. F. Todd Goodson
Chair of the Department of Curriculum & Instruction

What do I get out of presenting at the RCAF?

- The opportunity to reflect about your work as an educator
- Practice presenting (because teachers are constantly presenting)
- Development of teacher-leader skills
- A certificate of participation documenting your presentation
- A line on your resume that shows you presented at a poster session
 - As a student, you did something above and beyond your coursework as at K-State
- The opportunity to work with a faculty member outside of coursework

Format

Poster Session - in person BH 119

- Each presenter will have a space to set up
 - Have a visual poster, trifold, objects, computer presentation
- Prepare a 3 minute summary of your work the "elevator speech" of your work
- People will visit your poster and talk with you so you will use your elevator speech multiple times
- You are encouraged to check out other people's presentations too

What should be included in presentation?

Research

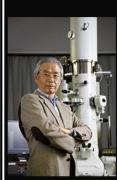
- Background to inquiry
- Methods of inquiry
- Data/ Results
- Discussion
- Conclusion/ Implications

Creative Activities

- Rationale for topic
- Summary of topic
- Images
- Connection to education
- Implications for your work as an educator
- Examples of your work, or student work

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Questions? Contact Dr. Suzanne Porath sporath@ksu.edu



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