

STEM Career Exploration and Symposium

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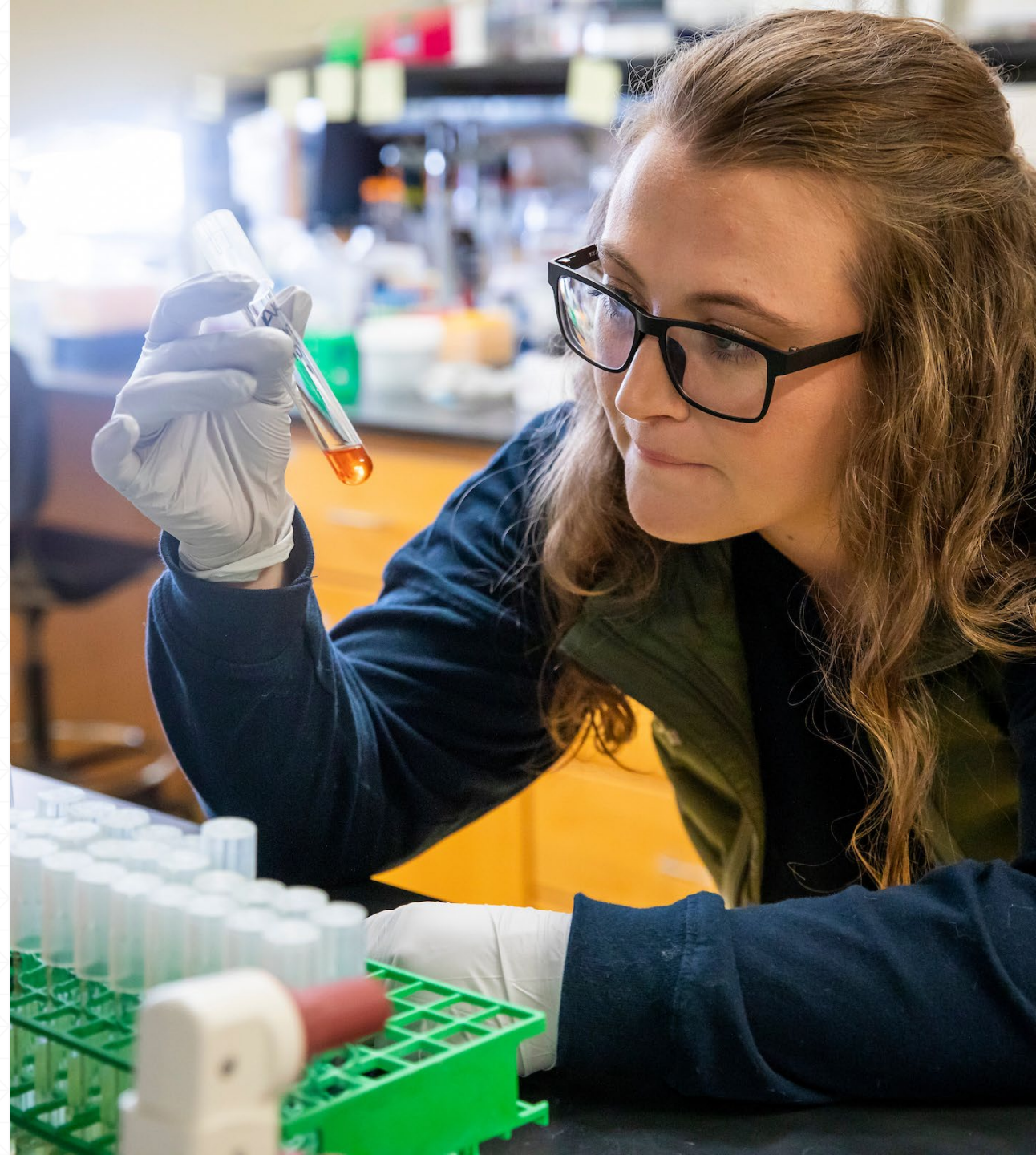


What to Expect

The fourth annual STEM Career Exploration and Symposium highlights undergraduate research from across STEM disciplines. This event also invites high school and community college students and educators to attend and explore STEM career pathways.

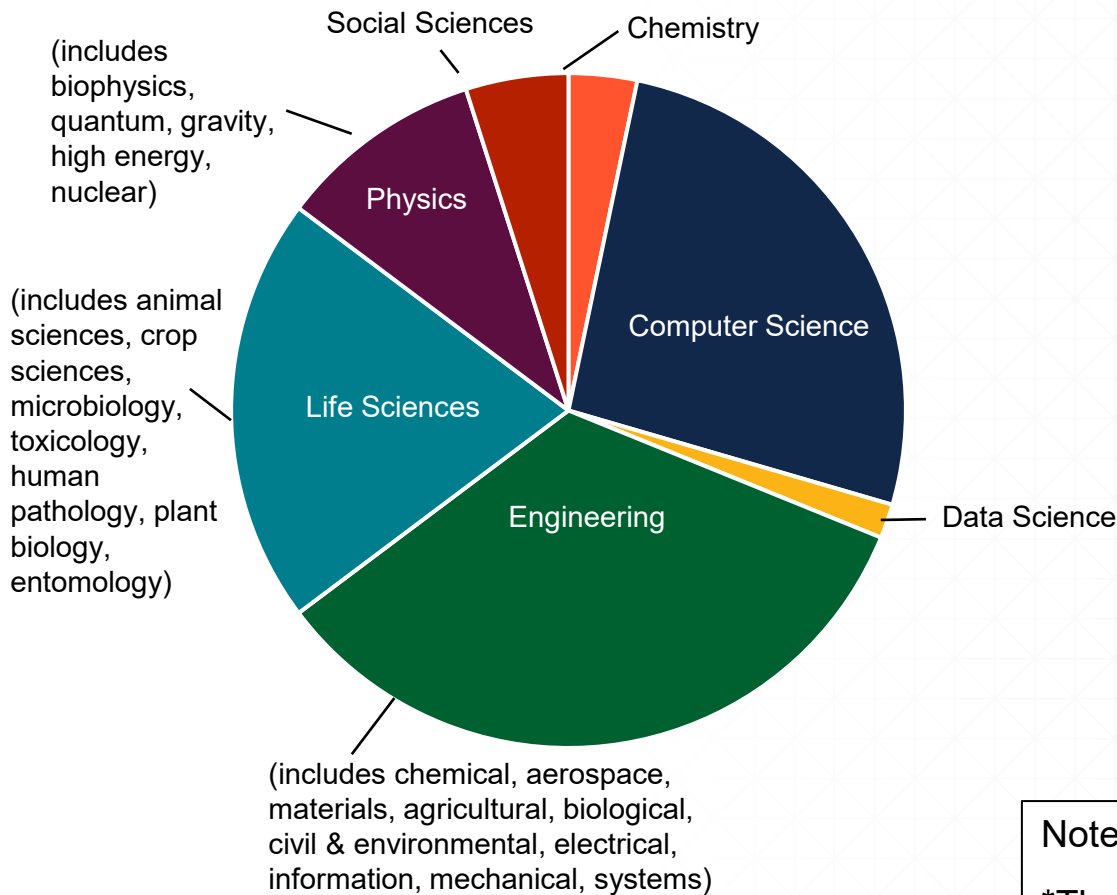
This day-long event has grown from 400 to nearly 600 student, mentor, staff, and visitor attendees. This event fosters employer-student connections, interdisciplinary discussions, broadening participation in STEM.

Sponsors have the opportunity to engage with a diverse set of students to discuss STEM career opportunities.



Snapshot of Undergraduate Student Presenters

STEM Disciplines*



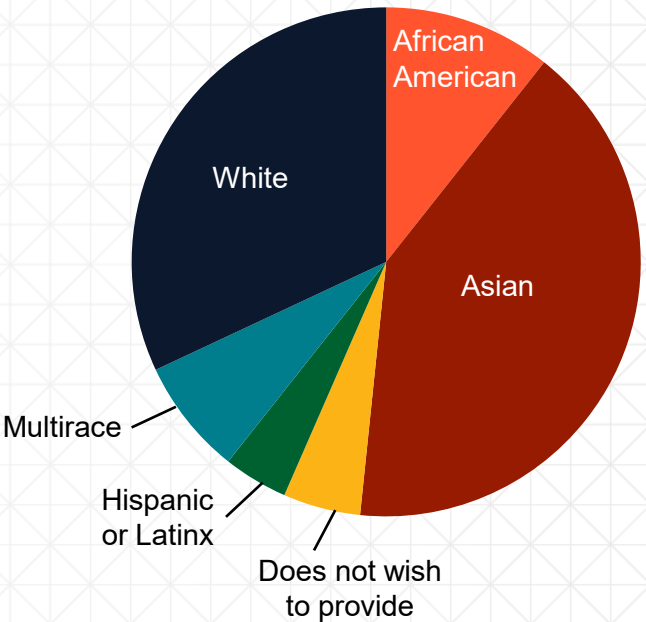
Gender Representation

Male	Female	Nonbinary or other
58%	41%	40%

Location of Home Institutions**

IL	other
64%	36%

Race and Ethnicity



Notes: This represents a snapshot of 122/163 student presenters from 2025.

*The list of STEM disciplines has been simplified and does not represent the interdisciplinary nature of the research. A more complete list is available on request.

**The list of home institutions includes smaller non-research institutions, including community colleges, that often have limited employer engagement opportunities.



Sponsorship Opportunities

	GOLD (\$5,000)	SILVER (\$3,000)	BRONZE (\$1,000)
Engagement in Program Activities			
Opening Ceremony Sponsor Presentation	✓		
Pre-event Email to Registered Attendees	✓		
Post-event Email to All Attendees	✓		
Information and Demonstration Tables at Networking Fair	✓	✓	
Lunch 30-min TedTalk	✓	✓	
Single Table at Networking Fair			✓
Meal Sponsorship			
Named Sponsor for Lunch	✓		
Named Co-Sponsor for Breakfast and Closing Reception		✓	
Named Co-sponsor for Beverage/Snack Station			✓
Acknowledgements and Logos			
Full-page Ad in Program	✓		
Acknowledgement on Social Media	✓	✓	
Logo Placement in Program	✓	✓	✓
Logo Thank you on Website	✓	✓	✓
Available spots	1	3	15

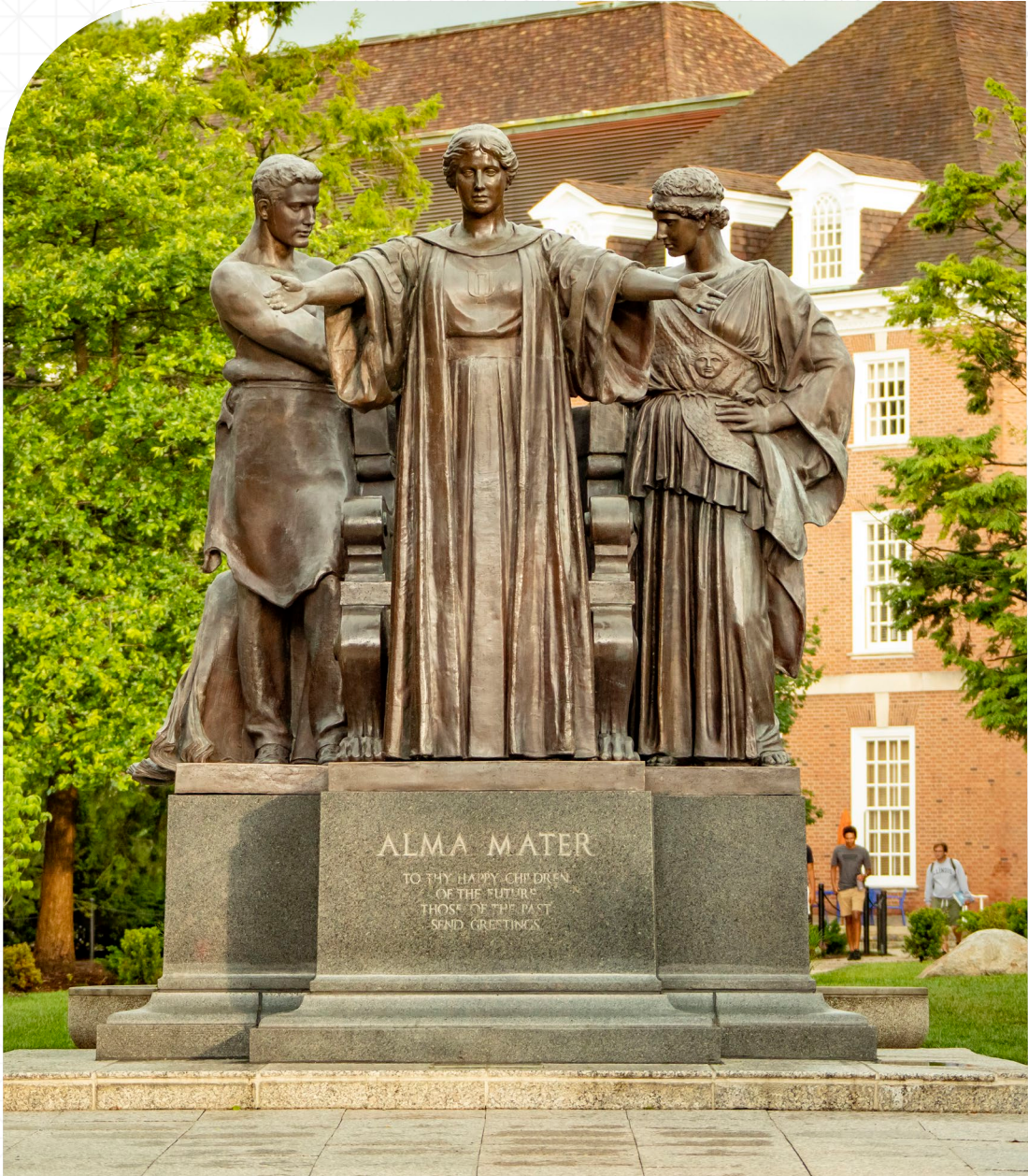


Sponsorship Opportunities: Add-Ons

Named Sponsor

Oral or Lightning Talk Presentation Room (\$200)	7
Poster Session Room (\$200)	2
Free Parking for Attendees (\$250)	10

AVAILABLE





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