The American Astronautical Society (AAS) is pleased to host the 2nd Annual John Glenn Memorial Symposium July 14–16 at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. The event is organized by AAS in collaboration with Case Western and the NASA Glenn Research Center.

The John Glenn Memorial Symposium brings together high-ranking government officials, industry executives, academia, and others from the aerospace community. The symposium will focus on advancements in aerospace technology including power and propulsion, autonomy and communications, low boom supersonics, hypersonics, and more.

We are releasing this Call for Abstracts for student (undergraduate and graduate) design and research projects for the Student Poster Competition, which will be a centerpiece of this year’s symposium. Students from all disciplines are encouraged to submit an abstract. Individual and group projects of ongoing or completed work are acceptable. Current undergraduate and graduate students from all institutions of higher learning are eligible to participate. Best posters will be selected in two categories (Engineering and Physical/Liberal Sciences) within two divisions (undergraduate and graduate). Winning students will have the option of receiving complementary student registration for one of the 2020/2021 AAS Symposia (Von Braun, Goddard, John Glenn Symposia).

Abstracts for the student poster competition should be a brief summary of the focus of the project (250 words maximum) and show an explicit connection to aerospace systems. In addition to the disciplines listed above, projects can include atmospheric science, earth observation, space life sciences, space health, aerospace systems engineering and design, astrophysics, optics, economics, business, policy, sustainability, history, international relations, education, Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) outreach initiatives, or related areas.

The primary author must submit the abstract. A student may submit only one abstract as the primary author (but may be a contributing author on other posters). A different author may be the presenter but also cannot present more than one poster in the competition (they can be a non-presenting team member on other projects). By submitting an abstract, you are committing to creating and presenting a poster if selected.

International submissions will be accepted but AAS does not provide visa invitation letters nor any travel related expense coverage for this event.
Abstracts are due no later than Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 2400 (midnight) New York time.
Abstracts should be submitted via the online form here: http://www.xcdsystem.com/ISS/index.cfm?id=GVt4E0I

Lead authors will be notified of acceptance soon after the deadline.

The number of abstracts selected for presentation in the Symposium will be limited. AAS will collect all abstracts and make final determinations of the abstracts selected. Abstracts will be evaluated on:

- Content and coherence
- Mechanics
- Originality and creativity
- Relevance to advancing space initiatives or practical applications of space technologies

Students are encouraged to work with his or her faculty/researcher staff advisor. The advisor should give guidance and advice; and is responsible for approving the accuracy and content of the abstract and poster. The student(s) should be listed as the primary (or first) author(s) and the advisor’s name must appear as a co-author or in the Acknowledgments of the final poster, whichever is appropriate.

A 24” x 36” poster template will be provided and must be used. Further instructions will be provided to successful applicants.

Student(s) must present the poster at the Poster Competition. AAS and Case Western will print, mount, and transport the poster to the exhibition at no charge to the submitter.

**Electronic copies (PowerPoint and PDF only) of posters for the proceedings and printing must be submitted by Friday, July 3 through the online submission process.** Failure to do so will invoke the “No Presentation/No Podium” rule and the item will be stricken from the schedule.

By submission of an abstract or poster, the author agrees to the inclusion of such in the program and/or Symposium proceedings. The abstracts and posters may be made available to all Symposium attendees or the public electronically.

Posters will be displayed as identified in the final symposium program. Authors must be present to present their posters at the Wednesday, July 15, 2020 evening reception.

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If you have any questions, please contact:

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