The INSPIRE University Transportation Center (UTC) will highlight graduate student research as part of the activities of the 2018 Annual Meeting in Rolla, Missouri. The Graduate Student Research Poster Session is an opportunity to showcase your research, communicate results to other students, faculty and staff, engage with representatives from the transportation industry, and facilitate interdisciplinary work by exchanging knowledge and ideas between individuals from multiple disciplines.

**Competition:**
The INSPIRE UTC External Advisory Committee members attending the annual meeting will serve as judges for the poster competition. First, second and third place awards will be announced at the closing session on August 15, 2018.

**Judging Criteria:**

- **Content and Presentation (50 Points), examples include:**
  - Research topic/problem/hypotheses clearly defined
  - Significance of research is clearly stated
  - Research questions align with methods
  - Presentation of data is clear, thorough, detailed
  - Ethical issues/limitations/validity issues addressed
  - Directions for future research addressed
  - Questions from the audience were effectively addressed

- **Design (40 Points), examples include:**
  - Visually appealing
  - Well organized; easy to read
  - Conveys most important information about the project
  - Figures/tables/graphs complement presentation
  - Free of grammatical errors or misspellings

- **Overall Quality (10 Points):**
  - Poster
  - Presentation/delivery
  - Student’s understanding of the topic

**Poster Requirements:**
Each student participant must prepare a research poster. Posters must be 40 X 30 inches. Please use the INSPIRE UTC Poster Template provided. Each presenter will be given an easel and display board. Posters set up is August 14, 2018 between 7:45 - 8:15 am. Push pins will be available.