

SWOSU Students and Faculty Participate in Oklahoma Research Day

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SWOSU students (from left) Corry Kendall of Mangum, Jessica Floyd of Weatherford and Halla Powers of Elk City display information regarding "The Role of Personal Computers in Students' Academic Success" at the Oklahoma Research Day.

SWOSU student Bobby Abernathy of Cordell showcases "Expression of the IT15 gene due to the CAG trinucleotide repeat in individuals diagnosed with Huntington's Disease.

Students and faculty from across the state of Oklahoma participated in the 9th annual Oklahoma Research Day.

SWOSU students Richard Ajiboye of Weatherford, Djufo Yimfor of Cameroon and Kelly Fine of Dalhart, Texas, present research entitled "Sequencing of Alkaline Phosphatase Gene from Dictyostelium discoideum."

Students and faculty from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford recently participated in Oklahoma Research Day held in Edmond.

The day featured research posters and oral presentations prepared by Oklahoma students and faculty. With 52 poster presentations registered, SWOSU's group was one of the largest at the event.

Anita Blankenship, director of sponsored programs at SWOSU, said the research day provides an opportunity for regional university students and faculty from all disciplines to showcase research from their field of study. For lunch, presenters were invited to attend a banquet in their honor with Regent Bill W. Burgess, Jr., chairman of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, as keynote speaker.

The day was organized by the Council on Research for Regional Universities (CRRU) in cooperation with the Jackson College of Graduate Studies & Research at the University of Central Oklahoma. The event was sponsored by Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE), Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST), Oklahoma EPSCoR, National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, INBRE, and several Oklahoma regional universities including SWOSU. Provost Blake Sonobe and Blankenship are SWOSU's representatives on CRRU.

Participating SWOSU faculty and students represented the following SWOSU Colleges: College of Arts & Sciences (Art, Biological Sciences, Chemistry & Physics, Mathematics, and Social Sciences), College of Professional and Graduate Studies (Athletic Training, Entrepreneurship and Computer Systems, Industrial and Engineering Technology, and Psychology), and College of Pharmacy (Pharmaceutical Sciences).

Additional Photos may be viewed on the SWOSU website at <http://www.swosu.edu/administration/osp/news/index.asp> under Announcements--Research Day 2007.