

6TH ANNUAL STUDENT RESEARCH SHOWCASE

April 21, 2026

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

9:00 – 9:50 AM

Virtual Oral Presentation Room #1 (V1)

Zoom Link: <https://fullerton.zoom.us/j/85292438560?from=addon>

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
Physical Activity Levels and Tendon Pain Predict Short-term Outcomes in Patients with Achilles Tendinopathy	Kasey Markell	Kinesiology
The Relationship between Plantar Flexion Strength and Achilles Tendon Structure in Healthy Adults	Ryan Ritter	Kinesiology
Internal Religious-Professional Discord among Christian Social Work Students	Alex Hashimoto-Chiang	Social Work

10:00 – 10:50 AM

Virtual Oral Presentation Room #2 (V2)

Zoom Link: <https://fullerton.zoom.us/j/83796871206?from=addon>

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
Building on the Legacy of Latinx Parents' Leadership	Tania Torres Prieto	Child and Adolescent Studies
Rural-Urban Differences in Lung Cancer Prevalence in the United States	Heidy Ibarra	Public Health
Belonging in Uncertain Times: Strategies to Support Undocumented Graduate Students	Alex Ruiz Kaitlyn Lopez Alvaro Gonzalez-Lovillo	Counseling

11:00 – 11:50 AM

Virtual Oral Presentation Room #3 (V3)

Zoom Link: <https://fullerton.zoom.us/j/83620336368?from=addon>

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
Growing Through Crisis	Thanh Bui	Social Work
Combat Veterans, Moral Injury, and Psychosocial Wellbeing	Joseph Caputo	Social Work
Psychological Distress and Life Satisfaction Among Transgender Individuals	Danae Christerson	Social Work

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

12:00 – 12:50 PM

Poster Session #1 (P1)

Location: Education Classroom – 2nd Floor Patio

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
The Impact of Ethnicity on Cognitive Decline Among Older Adult Americans	Cheryl Mae Mallabo	Social Work
Narrative Storytelling and HIV Awareness: A Pilot, Mixed-Methods Evaluation of a Community-Based Theatrical Intervention	May Marsh Jonathan Tovar	School of Nursing
Development of an E-Learning Module for Ultrasound-Guided Arterial Line Insertion	Ryan Scimeca Kimson Cantos Cyrus Heravi	School of Nursing
Increasing Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Initiation for Patient at Risk For HIV and Support Supporting Patient Adherence	Tigist Teshale	School of Nursing
Enhancing Safety: A Program Evaluation of TeamSTEPPS	Claudia Orozco	School of Nursing
What is the relationship between childhood maltreatment and alcohol problems in adults?	Oceana Russo	Social Work
Community Resources and Stress Levels Among Caregivers of Children with Developmental Disabilities	Samantha Ortiz Alizieri	Social Work
Continuing Research in Analyzing Relationships between the Leg/Back Dynamometer, Conventional Deadlift, and Hexagonal Bar Deadlift in Resistance-Trained Individuals	Johnny Montes	Kinesiology
What are the Effects of Physical Activity on Depression in Adults?	Mia Lara	Social Work
The Relationship Between Basic Needs Security and Perceptions of Success for College Students	Eliana McElderry	Social Work
Enhancing Fall Prevention Strategies: RN and CAN Re-Education	Patricia Wekhomba	School of Nursing
Increasing Awareness of the Impact of Night Shift Work on New Graduate Nurses	Julia Apenahier	School of Nursing

1:00 – 1:50 PM

Poster Session #2 (P2)

Location: Education Classroom – 2nd Floor Patio

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
Exploring the Relationship Between Force Development and Mechanical Properties in Healthy and Injured Hamstrings	Julia Butz	Kinesiology
Association between Sexual Orientation and Cervical Cancer in the National Health Interview Survey, 2015-2024: Assessment by Hysterectomy Status	Alyssa Chapa	Public Health
How Self-Determined Motivation Predicts Exercise Attendance	Clay Corpuz	Kinesiology
Inclusive By Design: Strengthening Nursing Practice Through Simulation	Jordyn Alinder	School of Nursing
Developing an Awake Flexible Intubation Education and Training Module Using the Delphi Method	Patrick Dilena Carly Dorminy Cooper Wise	School of Nursing
Islamic Coping Skills and Spiritual Connection: How Does Islam Serve as a Protective Factor Against Negative Well-being and Depression among Muslims?	Ranya Oubeid	Social Work
Diabetic Retinopathy in Pregnant Women	Miranda Guzman	Public Health

Expanding Screening and Education Regarding Disability Student Services (DSS) for Nursing Students	Long Hoang Merflor Hernando	School of Nursing
Post-Roe health knowledge, beliefs, and perceptions of well-women exams in underrepresented female CSUF students	Lauren Borjas	Public Health
Nursing on the Frontlines: The Critical Role of Nurses in Advancing Social Justice	Alexa Gabrielle Empleo	School of Nursing
Understanding how small-group trainers develop confidence in their training abilities: A qualitative study.	Lily Haeberle	Kinesiology

2:00 – 2:50 PM

Session: Poster Session #3 (P3)

Location: Education Classroom – 2nd Floor Patio

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
Racial/Ethnic Trends and Disparities in Breast Cancer Subtypes Impact on Survival Among Distant Stage Metastasis Diagnosis Patients	Maddie Gilman	Public Health
High Intensity, High Spirits? How Exercise Effort Influences Affect	Ariana Gonzalez Zoe Bravo	Kinesiology
Effects Of A 12-week Multicomponent Exercise Program on Balance and Gait Speed	Lily Merrick	Kinesiology
The importance of food and housing insecurity for California college students' physical health	Edwin Valdez	Public Health
Reminiscence Therapy & Environmental Design: Dementia Care through the Lens of Generation X	Georgianna Esmeria	School of Nursing
Development of Phonics Literacy Skills in School Settings	Karen Dang	Child and Adolescent Studies
Does physical fitness moderate the association between fibromyalgia and depression?	Ethan Irwin	Kinesiology
Origami Therapy for Age-Friendly Wellness	Crystal Muljadi	School of Nursing
Exploring housing insecurity amongst LGBTQ+ young adults from marginalized backgrounds in Southern California	Xitlali Navarro	Public Health
Using Social Stories to Support Young Children During Challenging Times and Crises	Lyn Ortega Charlene Chang	Child and Adolescent Studies
Movement in the Making: Infant Walker Use and Developing Mobility	Jacob Aranki Bradey Quigley	Kinesiology
Waist Circumference and Metabolic Health in Children with and Without Prader-Willi Syndrome	Aron Rosas	Kinesiology

3:00 – 3:50 PM

Session: Poster Session #4 (P4)

Location: Education Classroom – 2nd Floor Patio

Presentation Title	Presenter(s)	Department/School
Perceptions and Experiences of the Fat Community in the GLP-1 Era	Katie Bradley	Social Work
Grit and Luck: Exploring Driving Factors for Nursing Student Success	Cynthia Garcia	School of Nursing
Comparative Trends and Disparities in the Prevalence and Diagnosis of Multiple Myeloma, Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia, and Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma	Genevieve Gray	Public Health
Sexual Victimization and Mental Health Among Justice-Involved Youth	Danna Martinez Maravilla	Social Work
Examining the Relationship Between Parental Monitoring and Behavioral Problems Amongst Youth with a History of Foster Care: A Secondary Analysis	Erica Simmons	Social Work

Tumor Laterality Differences in the Prognostic Impact of Histology Types on Colon Cancer Survival	Ryan Patel	Public Health
Demographic and Clinical Factors Associated with Radiation Therapy Receipt in Breast Cancer	Deniz Suzer	Public Health
Participation in physical activity in a community program and health-related quality of life	Enrique Flores	Kinesiology
From Voice to Action: Parent Motivation and Engagement in CBPR	Ilse Aguilera Diana Nava Angelique Recinos	Child and Adolescent Studies
Brain Health Awareness Among Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) Young Adults in the U.S: A Systematic Scoping Review	Zahraa Ghazi	Public Health
Conducting an online survey to assess CSUF students' basic needs	Cailin Scheussler	Public Health
Smoking Status and Human Papillomavirus Vaccination Uptake	Naidaly Villalva Villa	Public Health

Please join us for a reception in honor of all our student presenters.

From 12:30-3:30 PM on the EC 2nd Floor Patio, small bites and refreshments will be available for presenters, students, faculty, staff, and families!