# **Helpful Sites for Designing a Poster**

* *Designing conference posters by Colin Purrington*  
  This site is the go-to resource for creating academic conference posters. Purrington covers “everything” you want to know about posters and more. In addition to information on content, structure, and design, he also provides poster examples, templates, and various links to journal articles on topics such as coordinating your clothing to match your poster.  
  <http://colinpurrington.com/tips/poster-design>
* *Makesigns*  
  While aimed at scientific posters, this site provides a short, but comprehensive overview of the design and layout basics for anyone making an academic poster.  
  <http://www.makesigns.com/tutorials/poster-design-layout.aspx>
* *K.M. Everson’s The Scientist’s Guide to Poster Design*While this site is not nearly as extensive as Purrington’s site, it includes some nice visuals for explaining the use of fonts and color.  
  <http://www.kmeverson.org/academic-poster-design.html#IV>
* *The University of Wisconsin-Madison Writing Center Poster Presentations*This site provides a nice overview of how to create a poster. The section on designing a poster contains an interesting visual demonstrating how the human eye processes information when viewing a poster.  
  <http://writing.wisc.edu/Handbook/presentations_poster.html#design>
* *Design Tips for Creating an Arts and Humanities Poster*Most of the poster design resources on the web are aimed at the sciences. This blog post gives some tips for modifying such designs for the humanities.  
  [*https://rgettatwestern.wordpress.com/2013/02/21/design-tips-for-creating-arts-and-humanities-poster/*](https://rgettatwestern.wordpress.com/2013/02/21/design-tips-for-creating-arts-and-humanities-poster/)
* *Dartmouth’s Guide to Designing & Printing a Research Poster*This site provides a succinct page of tips for creating a poster and works well for individuals short on time. They also provide a basic poster template.  
  [*http://www.dartmouth.edu/~ugar/undergrad/posterinstructions.html*](http://www.dartmouth.edu/~ugar/undergrad/posterinstructions.html)
* *Colorado State University Poster Sessions*Sponsored by Colorado State University’s Writing Center, this site focuses on the text rather than the layout or design.  
  [*http://writing.colostate.edu/guides/page.cfm?pageid=1523&guideid=78*](http://writing.colostate.edu/guides/page.cfm?pageid=1523&guideid=78)
* *The University of Alabama Advice for Making Posters With Power Point*This site provides specifics for resizing Power Point slides for posters.   
  [*http://undergraduateresearch.as.ua.edu/presenting-your-work/making-posters/*](http://undergraduateresearch.as.ua.edu/presenting-your-work/making-posters/)
* *Feinberg School of Medicine’s Creating Posters with Power Point*Similar to the University of Alabama site, this page focuses on using specific features in Power Point to create a poster.   
  [*https://galter.northwestern.edu/help/creating-posters-with-powerpoint-windows*](https://galter.northwestern.edu/help/creating-posters-with-powerpoint-windows)
* *Office Templates Posters*Microsoft has three templates for basic posters. They can provide a good starting point for those students new to design or layout.  
  [*https://templates.office.com/en-us/Posters*](https://templates.office.com/en-us/Posters)

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