

# BUCLD 43

# Business Report

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# Submission and acceptance

# Abstracts submitted/accepted (last 10 yrs.)

	<i>N</i> submitted	<i>N</i> accepted	% accepted
2009	519	153	29%
2010	423	153	36%
2011	479	153	32%
2012	514	153	30%
2013	447	141	32%
2014	555	181	33%
2015	490	177	36%
2016	403	177	44%
2017	360	177	49%
2018	372	177	48%

# Symposia

- Last year's attendance at the symposia was high and post-conference survey comments were positive.
- This year, the symposium CFP went out earlier than (and separately from) the regular call.
- 4 proposals were received and sent to 12 reviewers.
- Relative consensus in comments and rankings allowed easy selection.
- We would like to encourage more symposium proposals to be submitted in the future.

# Attendee information

# Attendance rates (last 10 yrs.)

	Students		Non-students		Total
2009	295	56%	231	44%	526
2010	341	54%	291	46%	632
2011	220	45%	270	55%	490
2012	271	55%	226	45%	497
2013	215	52%	198	48%	413
2014	267	58%	197	42%	464
2015	239	55%	197	45%	436
2016	224	50%	221	50%	445
2017	301	52%	274	48%	575
2018	235	48%	252	52%	487

Note: These numbers include student volunteers.

## Student travel awards for authors (Paula Menyuk Award; last 10 yrs.)

	<i>N</i> recipients	Amount awarded
2009	28	\$8400
2010	28	\$8400
2011	28	\$8400
2012	31	\$8400
2013	35	\$10500
2014	35	\$10500
2015	35	\$10500
2016	35	\$10500
2017	39	\$11550
2018	25	\$10000

# Student travel awards for diversity (Diversity Enhancement Award; since inception)

	<i>N</i> recipients	Amount awarded
2017	10	\$5700
2018	7	\$3540



# Student attendance incentives

- Maintained **low student registration rate** (<50% of non-student rate)
- Continued to hold **2 poster sessions** (not competing with talk sessions) – more accessible for novice presenters
- Continued to give **travel awards** to both authors and non-authors (over 30, totaling >\$13500 in support)
- Continued to **recognize best student papers** (with *Jean Berko Gleason Award*)
- Continued to organize **student workshop** specifically for trainees (students & postdocs)

**New this year!**

- Conference handbook moved online (with full abstracts)
- Printed matter shortened, provided in pamphlet along with conference folder
- Poster sessions held in Metcalf Small (instead of Metcalf Large)
- East Balcony replaced Metcalf Small for Session A room (HVAC in Metcalf Small found to be too noisy)
- Separate Q&A mics in every session (1 for 'students/postdocs', 1 for 'general audience'), alternation between mics
- Student Workshop moved to Thursday evening (from Sunday afternoon), refreshments provided
- Conference reception moved to Saturday (from Friday)
- Fridge in lactation room

Any suggestions? Ideas for improvement?

Please fill out the **post-conference survey!**

You will receive the link via email.