

# STEM POSTER PRESENTATION CHECKLIST

## Step 1: Content Creation (50%)

- Understand the assignment and review the assignment rubric (2%).
- Consider your audience (2%).
- Organize your research (23%).
  - Gather research information to be displayed on your poster.
  - Include introduction, methods, research, discussion, reference list, and (possibly) an abstract.
- Create visual content (13%).
- Create data visualizations such as tables and charts (10%).

## Step 2: Design (40%)

- Determine the physical parameters of your poster, such as size and location of presentation (2%).
- Choose design software (5%).
- Design logical flow of information and create the poster (20%).
- Develop text hierarchy (3%).
- Consider the University of Waterloo brand and templates.
- Consider copyright (2%).
- Determine print production (8%).

## Step 3: Presentation (10%)

- Prepare and rehearse a 4-5 minute oral overview of the research presented on your poster.
- Practice this script while standing in front of your poster and interacting with your visuals.
- Brainstorm possible questions observers may ask and prepare answers.