

## Benefits of Sponsorship

\$241,720 in scholarships have been awarded from Waterborne proceeds over the last seven academic years.

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- Providing opportunities for you to market your company's name and products to our attendees and students
- Providing you with exposure to over 10,000 addresses on our mailing list through email blasts
- Providing exposure and a link to your company's website on our symposium website
- Providing signage at the symposium
- Recognizing your support in our annual printed symposium proceedings book.
- Educating quality students in the field of polymer science and providing recruitment opportunities for your company to hire employees by way of job postings, annual departmental resume books, and interview sessions.

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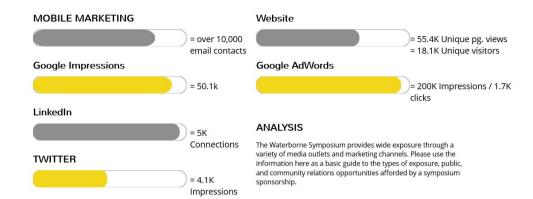
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#### Media Outreach and Analytics

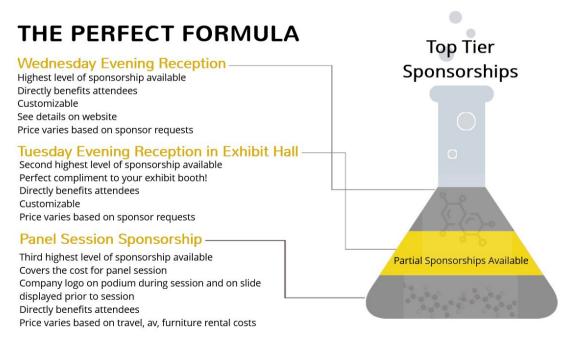
The Waterborne Symposium provides wide exposure through a variety of media outlets and marketing channels. Please request a full media outreach report to view the types of advertising, public, and community relations opportunities afforded by a symposium sponsorship.

#### **MEDIA REACH**



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# Sponsorship Opportunities

The following opportunities for support are available for the upcoming Waterborne Symposium. Your support directly helps the Polymer Science and Engineering program at The University of Southern Mississippi to recruit, retain, support, and train the highest caliber of students from across the country. Funds from our symposium are used primarily for undergraduate scholarships and to recruit new students at graduate and undergraduate levels.

#### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

See full details of all sponsorships and availability at www.waterbornesymposium.com



#### STUDENT POSTER SESSION

Sponsors student travel costs to participate in poster session. Benefits students



#### WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE/KING CAKES

Sponsorship covers the cost of the coffee break and directly benefits the



#### GUIDEBOOK PROGRAM AP

This unique sponsorship provides your company with excellent visibility during the entire event.



#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Company would be mentioned before the key note speaker presentation - sign on podium during session.



#### STUDENT RECEPTION

Sponsorship covers the cost of hosting a reception in support of the USM students. This reception is not held without a



#### COFFEE BREAKS (3 Available)

Sponsorship covers the cost of the coffee break and directly benefits the attendees.

### **SPONSORSHIPS OPPORTUNITIES**



#### **REGISTRATION TABLE**

Full color sign at registration table acknowledging sponsorship



#### SIGN SPONSORSHIP

Your company's logo will appear on all conference signs (with the exception of signs recognizing specific sponsorships such as a coffee break or a reception)



### NAME BADGE/POCKET SCHEDULES

Your logo on all of our attendees name badges. Your logo at the top of the pocket scheduled included in every attendees name badge for easy schedule reference during the entire symposium.



### SPONSOR A STUDENT (Multiple Available)

Sponsorship covers the cost of a USM student to attend the Symposium for Wednesday and Thursday sessions (1 hotel night, mileage, and food for 2 days)



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#### UNIQUE SPONSORSHIP

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# Sponsorship Form

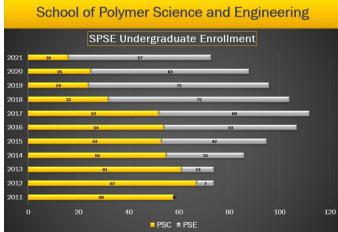
Please fill out the following form to confirm your chosen sponsorship level. Completed forms can be returned to Melanie Bryan, senior program manager at melanie.heusser@usm.edu. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions (601.266.4475).

NFORMATION FOR OUR WEBSITE	
Company Name	Hyperlink
Email Address	Follow-up or Contact Information
Company Description	
CONTACT INFORMATION FOR SPONSORSHIP	
Company Name	
Sponsorship Contact Person	Billing Address
Contact Phone Number	THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI.
Contact Email	THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL OF POLYMER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
SPONSORSHIP SELECTED  Thank You!!!	Please mail this form to melanie.heusser@usm.edu. We will follow up with you for payment details and further information needed from you.

### Polymer Science and Engineering at USM

A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF OUR PROGRAM





\$241,720 in scholarships and \$105,000 in recruiting has been funded from Waterborne Symposium proceeds over the past several academic years.

#### ABOUT POLYMER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

The Polymer Science and Engineering program consists of thirteen full-time tenure-track faculty, one research faculty member, one teaching track faculty member, and seven active emeritus faculty members. Of these twenty-one individuals, eight are particularly associated with the coatings education and research program: Lochhead, Rawlins, Storey, Azoulay, Clemons, Simon, Patton, and Thames.

The vast majority of students studying Polymer Science and Engineering are full-time. These students pursue programs of study leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Science in Polymer Science (PSC), Bachelor of Science in Polymer Science and Engineering (PSE), Master of Science in Polymer Science and Engineering, and Doctor of Philosophy in Polymer Science and Engineering. The undergraduate and graduate programs receive equal emphasis, and the enrollment for undergraduate students has shown unprecedented growth in recent years with the addition of our Polymer Science and Engineering degree. Our undergraduate program has increased dramatically over the last five years (see chart on left). A greater proportion of the undergraduate curriculum (as compared to the graduate curriculum) is devoted strictly to coatings education. A larger proportion of B.S. graduates accept their first jobs in the coatings industry.





# FEBRUARY 12 - 17, 2023

Topics covered include Waterborne, Polymerization, High-Throughput, Nano, UV, Additives, Corrosion, Bio-based, Formulation, Automotive and more.

Intensive training offered through our two- and three-day short course options.

Proceeds from the Waterborne Symposium are used to endow scholarships for students in the Polymer Science and Engineering Program at Southern Miss.

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