



## **Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Mapping Contest at Boston College**

Students are invited to present their GIS Mapping work as part of a campus-wide celebration of geospatial research at Boston College. Prizes will be awarded to the top student entries which will be displayed in the O'Neill Library Reading Room on **Wednesday, April 18, 2012**.

### **Contest guidelines:**

To enter the contest, please submit a PowerPoint slide, following the instructions below:

#### **Making a poster in PowerPoint**

1. Create a new PowerPoint presentation and select a blank slide as the slide format.
2. Go to the File menu and choose Page Setup. Under Slides Sized For: choose Custom.
3. Type 36 inches for width and 28 inches for height.

#### **On the poster slide include:**

1. The title of your research project
2. Map or maps of your research using GIS (Geographic Information Systems)
3. An abstract describing your research and how GIS was used
4. Source of data used in project
5. Your name

#### **Submissions will be judged on:**

- Quality of the map
- Appropriate use of GIS as a research tool
- Originality
- Topics from a wide range of disciplines are accepted (such as Geosciences, Biology, Social Sciences, Education, History, Economics, etc). Topics depicting social implications of research such as environmental, social justice, public health, etc. will receive special consideration

**First Prize:     \$100 Amazon gift card**  
**Second Prize:  \$50.00 Amazon gift card**  
**Third Prize     \$25.00 Amazon gift card**

**Submit entries to:**    [mento.bcgiscontest@bc.edu](mailto:mento.bcgiscontest@bc.edu)    **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**Download ArcGIS software:** URL: <http://www.bc.edu/software/applications/research.html>

**Finding Spatial Data for Mapping (GIS):** URL: <http://libguides.bc.edu/gis>

**Any questions? Contact Barbara Mento, Data/GIS Manager:** [barbara.mento@bc.edu](mailto:barbara.mento@bc.edu)

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