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Introduction

Welcome to the NAACL 2024 Student Research Workshop.

The NAACL 2024 Student Research Workshop (SRW) is a forum for student researchers in computational linguistics and natural language processing. The workshop provides a unique opportunity for student participants to present their work and receive valuable feedback from the international research community as well as from faculty mentors.

Continuing the tradition of previous student research workshops, we offer archival and non-archival tracks tailored for research papers and thesis proposals. The research paper track welcomes submissions from Ph.D. students, Masters students, and advanced undergraduates, providing a venue to showcase their completed or ongoing work, alongside preliminary results. Additionally, the thesis proposal track caters to advanced Masters and Ph.D. students who have identified their thesis topic, offering them a platform to receive feedback on their proposal and guidance on potential future avenues for their research.

This year, we received 67 submissions in total. We accepted 40 of them, resulting in an acceptance rate of 60%. Out of the 40 accepted papers, 10 were non-archival and 30 are presented in these proceedings.

Mentoring is at the heart of the SRW. In line with previous years, we had a pre-submission mentoring program before the submission deadline. A total of 13 papers participated in the pre-submission mentoring program. This program offered students the opportunity to receive comments from an experienced researcher to improve the writing style and presentation of their submissions.

We are immensely grateful to the National Science Foundation for their sponsorship. Their support has played a significant role in ensuring the success of the conference and facilitating the participation of students from a wide range of backgrounds to attend. We also express our sincere gratitude to the program committee members for their thorough reviews of each paper and all of the mentors for donating their time to provide valuable feedback to the student authors. We are also deeply appreciative of the NAACL 2024 organizing committee, the NAACL 2024 SRW organizing committee, and our faculty advisors Marcos Zampieri, Frank Ferraro, and Swabha Swayamdipta, for their essential guidance which was key to organizing this year's workshop. Lastly, we thank all the student authors for submitting their work and participating in the NAACL 2024 edition of the SRW.

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