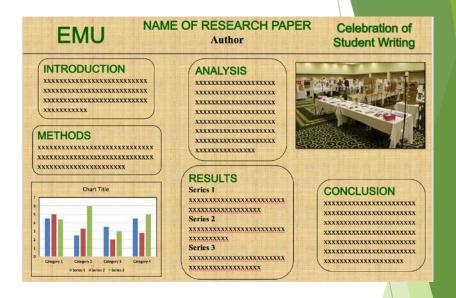
Formatting a Background in Microsoft PowerPoint 2015 for Mac OS.

FIRST-YEAR WRITING

PROGRAM

Let's Continue...

You've opened up a New **Document** and gone through the Page Setup. Now you want to pick a **Background** for your poster. Picking a nice background will help set your poster apart from other students and aid in setting the tone for your presentation. These directions will walk you through the steps in Formatting the Background using Microsoft PowerPoint 2015 for Mac. If you have an earlier version of PowerPoint, look for a tutorial for that specific version online.



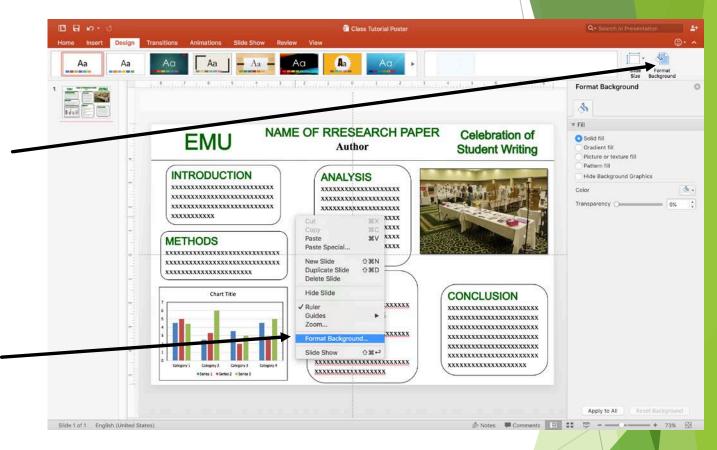
Go to Step 1. . .

Step 1: Open the Format Background sidebar

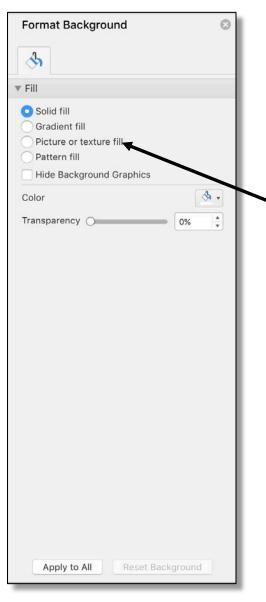
Click Format
 Background
 in the Design
 Tab

OR

Click <u>Format</u>
 <u>Background</u>
 in the <u>right-</u>
 <u>click menu</u>



Open the Format Background sidebar and go to Step 2. This menu should now appear on the right side of your screen.

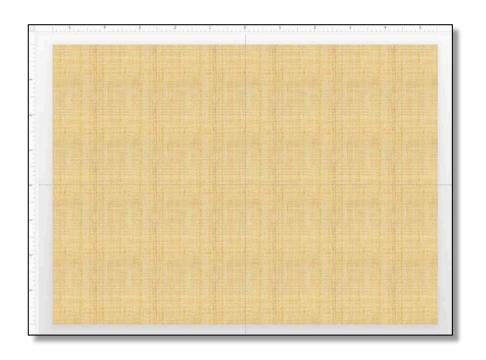


Step 2: Choose a texture for your poster's background

Click the <u>Picture or texture</u> <u>fill</u> option in the Format Background sidebar.

Go to Next Step. . .

. . . This is what your background should look like now.

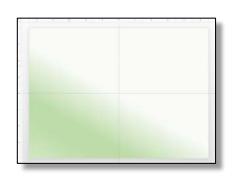


Congratulations! Your background is formatted. Now you can start adding stuff like text boxes.

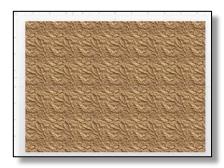
Try something different first. . .

. . . There are endless options!

Try playing around with the different editing tools in the Format Background sidebar menu to make your unique poster. There really are an infinite number of ways to format a background.



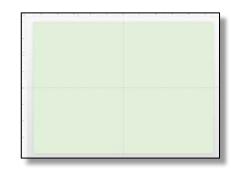
Gradient Fill



Different Textures



Add a Picture



Solid Colors

You can now Format a Background in PowerPoint!