

CEEA-ACEG 2022 “Research in a Nutshell”

We are excited to be hosting a Research in a Nutshell competition this year at CEEA-ACEG 2022 for student attendees. In the style of Three Minute Thesis (3MT®), students will present their scholarly research in 3 minutes or less with the aid of a single static slide. Students will be challenged to consolidate their ideas and crystalize their research discoveries in an exciting and approachable manner. Participants will present before a panel of judges and other attendees; there will be an opportunity to receive feedback from the judges and field questions from the audience.

Rules:

- A single static PowerPoint slide is permitted.
- PowerPoint slide should be created using an aspect ratio of 16:9
- No slide transitions, animations or movement of any description are allowed; the slide is to be presented from the beginning of the oration
- No additional electronic media (e.g. sound and video files) is permitted
- No additional props are permitted (e.g. costumes, musical instruments, laboratory equipment)
- Presentations are limited to three minutes maximum; competitors exceeding three minutes are disqualified
- Presentations are to be delivered in regular prose (e.g. no poems, slam poetry, raps, songs, or spoken word presentations)
- Presentations must commence from and remain on the stage

Judging Criteria:

Communication

- Did the presenter use non-verbal communication (i.e. eye contact, voice modulation, body language) effectively?
- Did the presenter use language and terminology that was clear, jargon-free, and understandable to a general audience?
- Did the presentation follow a logical sequence?
- Did the presenter spend adequate time on each element of their presentation? Did they elaborate for too long on one aspect, or did the presentation feel rushed?

Comprehension

- Did the talk help you to understand the scholarly research being undertaken?
- Did the presenter clearly outline the nature and purpose of their research?
- Did the presenter clearly indicate the fascinating or compelling aspects of their research?
- Did the presentation provide an understanding of the background and significance to the research question being addressed?
- Did the presentation clearly describe the impact and/or results of the research, including conclusions and outcomes?

Engagement

- Was the talk engaging?
- Did the presenter capture and maintain the audience's attention?
- Did the presenter convey enthusiasm for their work?
- Was the presenter careful not to trivialise or generalise their research?
- Did the talk inspire you to want to know more?
- Did the PowerPoint slide enhance the presentation - was it clear, legible, and concise?