



American Dairy Science Association Undergraduate Student Paper Contest Information and Call for Abstracts

2015 ADSA®-ASAS JOINT ANNUAL MEETING

July 12–16, 2015

Orlando, Florida

Due date: Must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. CST (Central Standard Time) on March 3, 2015

CONTEST GUIDELINES:

This contest will be held in the following categories:

- Dairy Foods Division
- Dairy Production Division
- Original Research/Independent Study

Introduction

The purpose of the Undergraduate Paper Presentation Contest is to encourage undergraduates to gain experience in the presentation of papers and to give them an opportunity to participate more fully in the meetings of the Student Affiliate Division of ADSA. Through such participation, the student should gain an early and fuller appreciation of (a) the importance of adequate communications in the distribution of information, and (b) the role of the Student Affiliate Division of ADSA. Moreover, participation will help the student prepare for postgraduate education.

Rules and Regulations

Eligibility

Contestants must be undergraduate Student Affiliate Division members of ADSA who are enrolled in a program granting the baccalaureate degree or who have received the degree during the previous 7 months. Students who have completed 1 quarter or semester of graduate studies are not eligible. Only 1 contestant per institution may be entered in each of 3 categories: Dairy Foods Division, Production Division, and Original Research. One institution, therefore, may have up to 3 entrants, each in a separate category. Students who were awarded first place in a paper competition contest the previous year are not eligible to compete again in the same category. The categories may include Production, Dairy Foods, or Original Research. However, students are allowed to compete in a different contest category in subsequent years. For those students whose chapter participates in the Chapter Award contest, the maximum points will be awarded for an institution with entrants in **2 out of the 3 presentation divisions** (Dairy Foods, Production, or Original Research). Dairy Foods and Production points are earned through oral presentations; Original Research division points can be earned through either paper

presentation or poster presentation. Cash awards will be given to the winners in all categories. The deadline for submission is **March 3, 2015**.

Subject of Presentation

Choice of subject matter is open to the student but should be relevant to issues of our industry today and of general interest to all. Reporting of original research will **only** be accepted in the Original Research category. Dairy Foods and Production **will not** accept original research. We will disqualify any paper that does not fit a category.

Place and Conditions of Presentation

Contestants will make an oral presentation of a prepared paper at specially scheduled sessions of the Student Affiliate Division Meetings, to be held on the first day of meeting activities.

The paper is expected to be the student's own work. In preparing the presentation, the student is expected to have such advice from his or her advisor as is normally expected in the relationship between an undergraduate and his or her major professor.

Preloading

Presentation files will be submitted prior to the meeting to allow staff to prepare CDs for each session ahead of time. The specific dates will be provided closer to the time abstracts are accepted.

Limits to Presentation

The oral presentation should be 8 to 12 minutes long. The judges may make 2-point deductions for each minute or fraction of a minute above or below the time limit. There will be up to a 3-minute period for the judges to ask questions.

Use of Visual Aids

Contestants may use prepared charts or slides. Go to the Annual Meeting link at <http://www.jtmtg.org/jam/2015/> and click on **Abstracts** for information on how each room is equipped.

Procedure for Entering Competition

Please refer to <http://www.jtmtg.org/jam/2015/> for more information.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: March 3, 2015.

Each chapter may submit 3 applications as outlined under the eligibility sections for this competition. We suggest that each chapter conduct a local contest to select the representative who will enter the national competition.

To enter the contest, follow the instructions for submitting an abstract using the **online abstract submission site** at <http://www.jtmtg.org/jam/2015/>. Participants in this contest should plan to attend both the student awards luncheon and the ADSA Awards Program on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, in Orlando, Florida. Check the meeting schedule for details.

IMPORTANT:

A brief résumé including name, address, cellphone number where you can be reached onsite in Orlando, areas of interest or research, scholarships received, professional activities and memberships, and other special interests should be uploaded along with the abstract. The résumés will be used to write the citations of the winners.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES: All abstracts **must be** submitted at <http://www.jtmtg.org/jam/2015/>. **NEW THIS YEAR:** At the time of abstract submission, students must also upload a brief résumé and a letter indicating a desire to enter the contest signed by their major professor and department head. Please direct questions to SAD Presentation Contest Chair Jeffrey Bewley, University of Kentucky, 407 WP Garrigus Bldg, Lexington, KY 40546-0215, Phone: (859) 257-7543, email: jbewley@uky.edu.

It is the responsibility of every student entering the contest to review and complete the online instructions for submitting the abstract, available at <http://www.jtmtg.org/jam/2015/>. Note: it will not be possible to submit abstracts after the deadline. When you submit your abstract, you will be given a **tracking number** and **password**. Make a note of these, as they will allow you to revise your submitted abstract at any time before the deadline.

Space limitations permit a maximum of 400 words. Abstracts that are too long will be rejected automatically by the system. It is recommended that all abstract components (title, body, and table) be copied directly from a word processing file. The formatting and special characters will carry over directly into the abstract system.

ABSTRACT REQUIREMENTS: The author submitting the abstract is responsible for its content and quality of preparation. Please include an implications statement if possible. **Abstracts are required for all student-submitted papers. Also, advisors are required to verify and approve the validity of the paper, its references, and resources on the online submission form by listing themselves as one of the authors.**

Presentation Information: Each session room will be equipped with a computer and an LCD projector. Presentation files must be compatible with Microsoft PowerPoint. Files can be uploaded through the abstract system in advance of the meeting or accepted onsite by 5 p.m. on the day before your presentation. No files will be accepted in the session room. The use of personal laptops will not be permitted.

The scheduled time for presentations of each oral student paper is 8 to 12 minutes, with up to 3 minutes for questions and discussion.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURES: After reading these instructions, if you have any questions regarding submission, contact ADSA Headquarters Office (217-356-5146).

SCORECARDS: The criteria used for judging all three contests are also posted to the meeting website.

Evaluation of Presentation

Three judges will evaluate the presentation. It is recommended to use 2 advisors and 1 student affiliate member whose chapter is not represented in the contest. If all chapters are represented, a national officer may become the third judge. No judge will be selected from a university represented in the contest. The SAD Officer-at-Large will chair the committee, and the SAD Second Year Advisor will assist.

Each judge will evaluate each presentation individually using the officially accepted Undergraduate Paper Presentation Contest scorecard. At the conclusion of the contest, these judges will meet with 1 member of the Student Affiliate Committee (ex officio capacity) to select the award winners. The judges' decision will be final.

The awards in the Production, Dairy Foods, and Original Research divisions are **\$100.00 (first place), \$50.00 (second place), and \$25.00 (third place), along with certificates for each place within a division.**

Contestants should attend both the Student Affiliate Luncheon on Tuesday afternoon and the ADSA Awards Program on Tuesday evening, where they will be recognized and awards will be presented.

**The American Dairy Science Association
Student Affiliate Division
UNDERGRADUATE PAPER PRESENTATION CONTEST SCORECARD**

Student's Name _____

Category: Original Research/Independent Study

Title of Paper: _____

| | Maximum Points | Student Score |
|--|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. Personal Characteristics (15) | | |
| A. Appearance (neat and well-groomed) | 5 | _____ |
| B. Presence, voice, and diction (clearness, choice of words, enunciation, ability to command attention of audience) | 10 | _____ |
| 2. Presentation Performance (35) | | |
| A. Style (effective use of notes, coherence, grammatical accuracy) | 10 | _____ |
| B. Organization, clarity, and simplicity (ability to communicate to audience), visual aids | 25 | _____ |
| C. Time deduction (2-point deductions are made for each minute or fraction of a minute outside the time range of 8–12 minutes for each presentation) | | _____ |
| 3. Subject Matter (50) | | |
| A. Originality, thoroughness, and current and potential importance of topic | 20 | _____ |
| B. Apparent knowledge of subject (succinctness and clearness of answers to questions) | 30 | _____ |
| Total points earned | <u>100</u> | _____ |

Rank: _____

Remarks: _____

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