



CSCE STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

The CSCE Student Paper competition recognizes the top student papers presented at the CSCE Annual Conference. Students wishing to participate must submit an abstract to the conference and complete the online competition form by the abstract submission deadline. If the conference extends the deadline, the competition application deadline will change to match it. Visit [the CSCE Student Affairs webpage](#) for links to the application form and abstract submission.

ELIGIBILITY

- All student presenters must be registered attendees of the CSCE Annual Conference.
- The student must be the first author and presenter of the paper.
- Applicants must be a student member of CSCE.
- One paper per student in the competition.
- Abstract and paper must be accepted for publication in the conference proceedings.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

There will be two rounds of evaluation to ensure that we will be able to announce the winners at the Student Awards Luncheon at the conference. Prior to the conference, all papers will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Overall quality, originality and effort in the research work
- Clear introduction to the topic/research objectives
- Literary quality of the paper
- Research methodology
- Technical value of the research
- Creativity and innovation, key contributions

The highest scoring papers will move on to the next round and will have their oral presentation evaluated at the conference. The number of papers that move to the next round is at the discretion of the competition committee and will depend on the total applications received. The target will be 20% of all eligible submissions. Applicants will be notified via email with the list of papers moving on.

PLEASE NOTE: You must present your paper at the conference regardless of your status in the competition in order to be included in the proceedings.

The presentations will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Clear introduction to the topic/research objectives
- Clear presentation of the research work, methodologies, innovations and contributions
- Discussion of research findings
- Overall quality of presentation (content and quality of slides and of oral presentation)

The winners will be determined by the overall scores. The paper evaluation will have a weight of 30% and the presentation will have a weight of 70%.

PRIZES

The top three student papers will be recognized at the student awards luncheon held during the conference and will receive a personalized certificate as well as a cash prize - \$500 for first place, \$300 for second place and \$200 for third place.