

EPOC 2020 Graduate Student Events

Three Minute Thesis Competition

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT) is an academic competition that challenges Master's and PhD students to describe **their research within three minutes to a general audience using ONE slide**.

This year, the competition will be held on October 22nd at 3pm MT. Participants will have the options of pre-recording their 3 minute presentation (recording due by Tuesday October 20th at 5pm MT) or presenting live.

The competition will be judged by a panel of four faculty members from different universities (rubric will be emailed to participants ahead of time).

Why should YOU participate?

This is an opportunity to not only **showcase your work** and the impact but to practice pitching your research in general! You get to hear about other's work and **practice presentation skills** in a supportive environment.

Registration | Please register [here](https://forms.gle/pdn1JFFD7bC4u1gi6) and provide a short (~125 words) description of your talk for our program: <https://forms.gle/pdn1JFFD7bC4u1gi6> | **Registration will close on October 11, 2020.**

EPOC first iPoster event!

The 2020 Conference Committee is pleased to invite students to register for our annual poster competition! The Poster Sessions are scheduled for October 22nd at approximately 4pm (following the Three Minute Thesis)—PDFs of posters are due by Tuesday October 20th at 5pm MT. The competition will be judged by a panel of 4 faculty members from different universities (rubric will be emailed to participants ahead of time).

How am I going to participate in a virtual poster event?

- iPosters will be presented via individual tables (similar to Zoom breakout rooms) where people can visit you and ask about your poster.
- iPosters will be posted on the EPOC website.

Poster should be readable to your audience when you share your screen—a good check is if you print out your poster on a printer sheet of paper (e.g., A4), can you read everything easily?

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(Expected) FAQs

Do I need to be presenting at the conference to participate in these events?

No! We would love to hear from our broader EPOC community whether or not you were able to submit a paper during this chaos of 2020. This also provides an opportunity for those to come and contribute to the conference if you were not able to get a paper in this year!

Can I participate in both events?

Absolutely!