

MSS THREE MINUTE THESIS COMPETITION: VIDEO SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Due to the competitive nature of the Three Minute Thesis format, all videos must be submitted via the process below. This will ensure that they are not viewed by anyone other than the assigned judges during the competition. All videos must be uploaded by the deadline and must have an accompanying submission in the MSS Submission Portal.

All video submissions should be sent by link to themss@themss.org. All access to the video from there forward will be through the event site. In the description of your video, please include your name, institution and presentation title.

Video Submission Parameters

All videos are limited to 3 minutes, with allowance for up to 5 seconds either side of the start and end of the presentation for the video's editing needs. No additional information, visual or audio, can be provided during this allowance time.

Presentations should be submitted in a standard video file format, preferably an .MP4 or similar format. If a file is submitted and is not able to be uploaded to the MSS platform, the competitor will be notified immediately to provide a converted video. MSS will not convert any videos to alternate file formats. If a file is not able to be used as provided and no converted video is supplied upon request, the competitor forfeits their place in the competition.

You are encouraged to send your video link early so that any issues can be resolved in plenty of time for the competition.

The holding platform for these videos is the MSS YouTube channel. A private playlist will hold all videos for the duration of the competition. MSS reserves the right to keep a copy of the submitted video on file beyond the competition date.

How to Submit your Video

A link to each video must be submitted to themss@themss.org no later than 11:59 pm on January 19, 2021. The link will be tested and the video will be downloaded for use in the competition. If there is a problem with the link or the video, MSS will reach out immediately.

As a reminder... The Rules of the Competition

- A single static PowerPoint slide is permitted. No slide transitions, animations or movement of any description; the slide is to be presented from the beginning of the oration.
- No additional electronic media (e.g. sound and video files) are permitted.
- No additional props (e.g. costumes, musical instruments, laboratory equipment) are permitted.
- Presentations are limited to 3 minutes maximum and competitors exceeding 3 minutes are disqualified.
- Presentations are to be spoken word (e.g. no poems, raps or songs).
- Presentations are to commence from the stage.
- Presentations are considered to have commenced when a presenter starts their presentation through movement or speech.
- The decision of the judging panel is final.