

**Production and Operations Management Society
College of Supply Chain Management 2021 Best Student Paper Competition**

The College of Supply Chain Management of the Production and Operations Management Society (POMS) announces its **2021 Best Student Paper Competition**. Each submitted paper will be judged based on its contribution towards the advancement of theory and practice of supply chain management. The first prize is accompanied by a \$1000 honorarium, the second prize is accompanied by a \$500 honorarium, and all papers receiving an honorable mention receive a \$200 honorarium. Four to six finalists will be selected and invited to present their paper in a special session at the POMS 32nd Annual Conference, which will take place virtually from April 30 to May 5, 2021. Each finalist will be eligible for free registration to the POMS conference. All prizes will be awarded during the virtual SCM College business Meeting.

Conditions for eligibility:

- Entrant must have been a student on or after January 1, 2021, and the research must have been conducted while the entrant was a student.
- Only one paper can be submitted by an entrant.
- The paper may not be submitted to the student paper competition from other POMS colleges in the same year
- Past first or second place winners are not allowed to participate again. Past finalists may participate again but only with a different paper.
- The submitted paper must present original research conducted primarily by the entrant(s) while being a Ph.D. or Masters student. Collaboration with other individuals (such as the entrant's faculty advisor or other students) is permitted but the research advisor of the entrant(s) must certify that the contribution of the entrant(s) to the paper is at least 50%. Papers co-written by two students who both meet the eligibility conditions can be submitted as one entry with the understanding that any prize would be divided equally between the two students.
- The topic of the paper should fall within the scope of supply chain management. For a more detailed description, please see the Google form below for the list of topics.
- The submitted paper can be a working paper, under review for journal publication, accepted for journal publication, or already published in a journal.

The entrant should visit

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfCxsbhJ_cspIT_UgJ8qdnAvIA3PoiBRhBhwKjG2CNygS-Q/viewform to fill out the Google form and submit the following documents to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/hAU5MUU6ZD5rmiPvtEvr> by January 17, 2021.

1. A cover letter from the advisor, including a statement that the entrant has met all eligibility requirements. For papers which have two student authors, the advisor is asked to carefully explain each student's role and contribution in the work. The file should be named as "yourFirstNameLastNameSchool_coverLetter", e.g., "AmyPanUF_coverLetter".
2. The paper in PDF, with at most 32 pages (including all references and appendices) in standard format (1" margins, double-spaced, 11 point font). Author names should not appear on the paper. Papers exceeding the page limit will be returned without review. The file should be named as "yourFirstNameLastNameSchool_paper", e.g., "AmyPanUF_paper".

Remarks:

- The finalists to the competition will be announced by April 1, 2021.
- In case the finalists have already paid for their registration to the POMS conference, they will be reimbursed.
- Please refer any questions to the Chairs of the POMS College of Supply Chain Management 2021 Best Student Paper Competition:

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