

Dear Colleagues and PhD students,

The POMS Product Innovation and Technology Management College (PITM) invites submissions to **the 2023 PITM Best Student Paper Competition**. We welcome papers related to Innovation, Product and Research Development, and Project and Technology Management.

The first prize is accompanied by an \$800 honorarium, and the runner-up prize is accompanied by a \$400 honorarium. The winner and runner-up will be announced **at the 2023 PITM Mini-Conference** on May 21st, 2023 – immediately preceding the 2023 POMS Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Eligibility Conditions

There are four conditions for eligibility:

1. Entrant must have been a student on or after May 1, 2021, and the research presented in the paper must have been conducted while the entrant was a student.
2. The submitted paper must present original research conducted primarily by the student entrant. Some assistance by other individuals (such as the student's faculty advisor) is permitted, however the entrant's primary research advisor must certify that the student's share of contribution to the paper exceeds 50%.
3. Entrant must be a member of the PITM College of POMS on the date of submission (visit the POMS Website for information on how to become a POMS/PITM member).
4. A student may submit no more than one paper to the competition.

Submission Requirements

A complete entry consists of:

1. A cover letter (in PDF format) completed by the student and stating: a) the entrant's contact information, b) the contact information of the entrant's primary research adviser, c) the paper title, and d) appropriate keywords for the submitted paper.
2. The paper in completely anonymous form (in PDF format), with a length of at most 32 pages including tables, figures, and references but excluding the appendix, and strictly compliant with all submission formatting standards of the POM journal (see http://www.poms.org/journal/author_instructions/). The file name should be the short title of the paper.
3. An attestation letter (in PDF format) signed by both the student entrant and a faculty adviser attesting that the entrant and the paper satisfy the eligibility conditions.

Entrants should upload their submission through the following Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/sUWbFna7BxP66hn17>.

Complete entries must be received on or before **December 9th, 2022**. It is the entrant's responsibility to allow for appropriate time to enroll as a new member of the PITM College (approximately 2-3 business days). Any questions related to the competition should be sent by email to MarkouP@arden.virginia.edu and J.Schlapp@fs.de.

Good luck to all entrants!

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PITM Best Student Paper Competition Co-Chairs