



**2020 UWindsor Competition
Coaching & Training session, February 7, 2020**



Competition History

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT[®]) is a skills development activity which challenges Research Higher Degree students to explain their research project to a non-specialist audience in just three minutes.

Developed by The University of Queensland (UQ) in 2008, enthusiasm for the 3MT concept and its adoption in numerous universities led to the development of an international competition.



- The 2020 Windsor competition (final) will be held on March 23 starting at 1:30 p.m. in Alumni Auditorium, CAW Student Centre
- The Master of Ceremonies will be Tony Doucette from CBC Radio in Windsor
- ✓ We will need your permission to record your presentation



Judging Panels

Representatives from the University of Windsor
and the broader community





Rules

- A single static PowerPoint slide (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 must be made by memory; notes may not be used.
- Presentations are considered to have commenced when a presenter starts their presentation through movement or speech.
- The decision of the adjudicating panel is final.



Judging Criteria

Comprehension

- Did the talk help the audience understand the scholarly research and creativity?
- Did the presenter clearly outline the nature and purpose of the scholarly research and creativity?
- Did the presenter clearly indicate what is interesting about the scholarly research and creativity?
- Did the talk follow a logical sequence?



Judging Criteria

Engagement

- Was the talk engaging?
- Did the talk inspire the audience to want to know more?
- Did the presenter convey enthusiasm for their work?
- Did the presenter capture and maintain the audience's attention?



Judging Criteria

Communication

- Did the presenter use language and terminology that was clear and understandable?
- Was the pace of the talk effective?
- Did the presenter use non-verbal communication (i.e., eye contact, voice modulation, body language, etc.) effectively?
- Did the slide enhance, rather than detract from, the talk – was it clear, legible, and concise?

All criteria are equally weighted



Prizes

Winner:	\$1,000 Represent UWindsor at the 2020 Ontario-wide 3MT Final at University of Windsor on April 15, 2020
Second place:	\$500
Third place:	\$250



Important

Two heats will take place on:

- Wednesday, March 18 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, March 19 at 3:00 p.m.

Let us know if you are unable to attend on either of these dates

For questions contact:

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Important Dates for Contestants:

- Monday, March 9 by noon: presentation TITLE and SLIDE due

Uwindsor Competition Date:

✓ **Please arrive 30 minutes before event starts**

- Monday, March 23 at 1:30 p.m., Alumni Auditorium, CAW Centre.

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Thank you for attending