



## GRADUATE STUDENT THREE-MINUTE VIDEO COMPETITION GUIDELINES

**Purpose:** To provide graduate students with an opportunity to develop oral communication skills to explain scientific research to a general audience.

**Eligibility and Requirements:** Graduate students must be current members of WSASAS. Students may compete in the WSASAS Graduate Student Three-Minute Video Competition as many times as they desire during their MS and PhD programs.

### Competition Guidelines:

- Presentations must be three minutes or less. Videos over three minutes will be disqualified.
- One prop or static image may be used to supplement the presentation.
- Participants can present on a thesis, dissertation, or other substantial research project.
- Avoid using technical jargon.
- Presentation should convey a positive image on animal industry.

**Video Submission:** After creation of the video, please upload through the WSASAS Graduate Student Three-Minute Video submission webpage at <https://www.asas.org/sections/western-section/meetings/wsasas-graduate-student-three-minute-video>

**Awards:** Contestants are encouraged to attend the WSASAS Awards Ceremony where their video submissions will be presented. First, second, and third place recipients will receive a cash award and their videos will be available on the WSASAS website.

**Judging:** Videos will be scored by three judges. A score sheet is provided on the next page of this document.

**Examples/Tips:** The following links are good examples videos from a similar competition.

Matthew Crouse – [“Effects of Maternal Nutrition on Fructose, Glucose and Cationic Amino Acid Transporter Expression in Bovine Utero-placental Tissues from Days 16 to 50 of Gestation”](#)

Sharon Savage – [“Battle of the Brain”](#)

Farnaz Fouladi - [“The Role of the Gut Bacteria in Sustained Weight Loss Surgery”](#)



## THREE-MINUTE VIDEO COMPETITION SCORE SHEET

Presenter: \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation was disqualified - exceeded three minutes..... \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Delivery.....(5 points) \_\_\_\_\_**

- 1.1. Well organized and easy to follow.
- 1.2. Distinct voice.
- 1.3. Good eye contact with audience.
- 1.4. Maximized content without being verbose.

**2. Communication.....(15 points) \_\_\_\_\_**

- 2.1. Explained technical material in an understandable and concise manner.
- 2.2. Premise of their research was clearly explained.
- 2.3. The topic and its significance were appropriately communicated.
- 2.4. Avoided use of technical jargon.
- 2.5. Portrayed animal industry in a positive light.

**3. Presentation.....(10 points) \_\_\_\_\_**

- 3.1. Video captured the audience's attention.
- 3.2. Information was presented in a creative, unique way.
- 3.3. Adequate depth of information was presented.

**4. Knowledge of the subject.....(5 points) \_\_\_\_\_**

- 4.1. Video indicated appropriate knowledge of the subject presented.

**5. Production.....(5 points) \_\_\_\_\_**

- 5.1. Audio, visual, and editing quality were adequate.