

WESTERN SECTION AMERICAN  
SOCIETY OF ANIMAL SCIENCE  
(WSASAS)

Graduate Student Competition Guidelines

1) To be eligible to compete in the WSASAS Graduate Student Competition, prospective participants MUST be graduate students and members of WSASAS at the time of abstract submission. Graduate students enrolled in institutions outside the WSASAS will need to pay an additional \$10 fee to add a WSASAS membership to their ASAS membership. Membership forms require the signature of an advisor to verify the student's enrollment.

2) Graduate students MUST submit an abstract and proceedings paper. Abstracts are due March 13 and can be submitted at <https://b-com.mci-group.com/AbstractSubmission/WESTERN.aspx>. During the submission process, the appropriate section preference must be specified. Under "Abstract Preferences," participants must select the "graduate student paper competition abstract" option. It is imperative that this section is selected for WSASAS graduate students to be considered as participants in the competition.

Proceedings papers are due April 10. A publication charge of \$25 per page must be paid at the time of submission. A Publication Approval Form, Proceedings Author Verification Form, and Invoice must be completed and submitted on or before the submission deadline. Forms and Invoice can be accessed at <http://www.asas.org/membership-services/asas-sections/western-section/meetings>.

3) Graduate Student Competition papers should not exceed four pages. However, one additional page may be added at the end (i.e., after the Literature Cited) for tables and figures only. Graduate Student Competition papers must be prepared as described in the Instructions to Authors, WSASAS Proceedings, which can be accessed at <http://www.asas.org/membership-services/asas-sections/western-section/meetings>.

4) An "Implications" section is required for all competition papers. This section should be placed immediately after the Discussion section.

5) Students may compete in the WSASAS Graduate Student Competition as many times as they desire during their M.S. and Ph.D. programs. If a student places first in any competition, they are ineligible to compete in future competition events.

6) Oral presentations will be scheduled and posted on the website as soon as the program is set.