

**EMI Computational Mechanics Technical Committee**  
**Student Presentation Competition**  
**Sponsored by: EMI Computational Mechanics Committee (CMC)**

**Purpose:**

- Encourage student involvement in Computational Mechanics fields within EMI.
- Expose students to Computational Mechanics research of other groups.
- Facilitate student interactions with faculty and other students to build up strong networking and be ready to take on future responsibilities within the technical community.

**Requirements and deadlines:**

1. Be the lead author and registered presenter of an abstract submitted to the EMI conference by the designated conference deadline.
2. Be a full time student at the time of abstract submission and the main contributor to the research.
3. Participate only in the CMC student competition. Participation in multiple competitions will automatically disqualify you from this competition.
4. Send an email to the CMC chair, Dr. John C. Brigham ([brigham@pitt.edu](mailto:brigham@pitt.edu)), requesting inclusion in the student competition and specifying the title, authors, and minisymposium of the presentation by Wednesday, May 19, 2021.
5. Be available from 5:00pm to 5:30pm EST on Wednesday, May 26, for a 10-minute Q&A session (detailed below).

**Prizes:**

- One winner and two runner-ups will be selected and named as the 2021 CMC student presentation competition winners.
- Certificates will be awarded.

**Process:**

- A panel of up to three judges will be selected from the CMC membership.
- The panel will review the student presentations, ranking them based on: (1) quality of presentation materials (i.e., slides), (2) quality of presentation delivery, and (3) significance of computational mechanics in the work.
- The top 3 ranked presenters will be invited to a 10-minute Q&A session with the panel between 5:00pm to 5:30pm EST on Wednesday, May 26, to discuss their presented work.
- One winner and two runner-ups will be selected by the judges based on the original ranking criteria and the expertise displayed during the Q&A session.
- Awards are anticipated to be announced during the EMI Awards session on Thursday, May 27.