

Student Symposium Paper Competition Guidelines

1. Students participating in the Symposium are invited to submit papers to the paper competition. Papers will be judged by the Undergraduate Research Committee.
2. The paper submitted for consideration for the Best Paper Competition must have been presented at this year's Symposium. In other words, students interested in competing for the Best Symposium Paper Award must participate in the Student Symposium (either oral or poster presentation is fine).
3. The paper submitted for competition must be submitted online (<http://as.richmond.edu/student-research/symposium/paper.html>) before the published deadline.
4. The paper must be in final or near-final form (an abstract or a "summary of research" is not acceptable). In case of team papers or papers co-authored with a faculty mentor, the nomination letter should specify in detail nominated student's contributions to research AND to writing.
5. There is no page limit on the paper. The Undergraduate Research Committee respects the norms and best practices of each discipline. However, please understand that the committee must read many submissions under an extremely short turnaround time.
6. The paper must contain all reference matters and follow the style appropriate to the student's discipline (when in doubt, use *The Chicago Manual of Style*).
7. The Undergraduate Research Committee intends to award one Best Paper in each of the following categories: humanities and arts, social sciences, and natural sciences, but reserves the right to adjust the number of awards in each category depending on the quality and quantity of entries.
8. The winners will be announced at the Symposium Dinner and each winner will receive a cash award.