

STUDENT RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT AWARD PRESENTATION

“The 5-minute Pitch”

This award program provides students with the experience of concisely presenting the idea of a stand-alone project in a sales-pitch format. Presentations will be limited to a maximum of five minutes.

Presentation and Awards at the Annual Meeting-

Up to six students-recipients will be given the opportunity to present their proposal in an oral presentation at the 2026 annual meeting.

A minimum of two doctoral and two master's/undergraduate recipients (as determined by the review committee) will be invited to give a 5-min PowerPoint presentation that is designed to be a sales pitch on why your project should be funded.

This will also come with added reward as these will be judged and the top three places will receive an additional cash award (\$125, \$100, \$75) that goes *directly* to the student at the 2026 TACSM Annual Meeting.

Eligibility Requirements-

- 1) SRDA recipients will be notified that they will qualify for this presentation by the TACSM Executive Director.
- 2) Presenters must submit their *two-slide presentation* at the requested date otherwise they will be removed from the SRDA presentation/competition.
- 3) Must be pre-registered for the 2026 TACSM Annual Meeting no later than **January 28, 2026**.

Rubric-

Presentations will be evaluated and ranked accordingly. Specifically, applicant's presentations will be judged on following:

- 1) communication clarity;
- 2) creativity;
- 3) overall understanding of the topic; and
- 4) ability to answer questions.

The categories will be scored on a Likert scale (1 to 5), and a total score will be calculated. Each category will be factored into the final score equally.