

Production and Operations Management Society College of Supply Chain Management 2009 Best Student Paper Competition

The College of Supply Chain Management of the Production and Operations Management Society (POMS) announces its 2009 Best Student Paper Competition. Each submitted paper will be judged based on its contribution towards the advancement of theory and practice of supply chain management. Four finalists will be invited to present their paper in a special session at the 2009 Annual POMS conference in Orlando on May 2, 2009. Presentation quality will also be taken into account to decide the first and second prizes. The first prize is accompanied by a \$500 honorarium and the second prize is accompanied by a \$250 honorarium. In addition, all finalists will be awarded up to \$500 of travel support and complementary conference registration for the 2009 Annual POMS conference. All prizes will be awarded during the conference.

There are four conditions for eligibility:

1. Entrant must have been a student on or after July 1, 2008. Only one paper can be submitted by an entrant.
2. The submitted paper must present original research conducted primarily by the entrant. Some assistance by other individuals (such as the student's faculty advisor) is permitted as long as the student is at least the "first author" on the paper in principle. This should be reflected in the advisor's letter.
3. The research must have been conducted while the entrant was a student.
4. The topic of the paper should fall within the scope of supply chain management, including: Inventory management; Supply chain coordination; Integrated supply chain planning; Sourcing relationships and strategy; Supply chain design and facility location; Organization of the supply chain function; Managing product variety in supply chains; Coordination of product and supply chain design; The role of information technology in supply chain coordination; Logistics, order fulfillment and distribution; Supply chain risk management; Channel management. For a more detailed description of the supply chain area within the POM Journal, please see <http://www.poms.org/journal/departments/>.

A complete entry includes:

1. A cover document in PDF with the entrant's name, current affiliation, address, e-mail address, telephone number, the name and email address of the entrant's advisor. The file name should be the entrant's full name.
2. The paper in PDF, *with at most 32* pages in standard format (1" margins, double-spaced, 2 point font.) Author *names should not appear* on the paper. Papers exceeding the page limit will be returned without review.
3. A cover letter from the advisor in PDF that includes the student's name, the title of the student's paper and a statement that indicates the eligibility requirements have been met (in particular, that the research is primarily the student's with minor assistance from other individuals).

The three items above should be emailed to Saif Benjaafar (saif@umn.edu), Chair, POM SCM Student Prize Committee with a subject heading "POM SCM Student Paper".

Deadline for Submission: January 12, 2009, 12pm (EST)