

**Production and Operations Management Society
College of Supply Chain Management 2027 Best Student Paper Competition**

The College of Supply Chain Management (SCM) of the Production and Operations Management Society (POMS) announces its:

2027 Best Student Paper Competition (submission deadline: Sunday, November 8, 2026).

Each submitted paper will be judged based on its contribution towards the advancement of theory and practice of SCM. Finalists will be selected and invited to present their paper in a special session at the 37th Annual POMS Conference, which will be held in-person from April 22, 2027, to April 26, in Orlando, FL (USA).

The first-place winner will receive a \$750 honorarium, the second-place winner will receive a \$500 honorarium, and each additional finalist will receive a \$250 honorarium.

Conditions for eligibility:

- The entrant must be a student on or after November 8, 2026, and the research must have been conducted while the entrant was a student.
- Each entrant may submit only one paper.
- Applicants should submit an abstract of the same paper to the **Supply Chain Management** track at the conference by the conference abstract submission deadline (i.e., November 8, 2026).
- The paper may not be submitted in the same year to any other paper competition organized by another POMS college, including both student paper competitions and open competitions.
- Past first- or second-place winners are not allowed to participate again. Past finalists may participate again but only with a different paper.
- The submitted paper must present original research conducted primarily by the entrant(s) while being a Ph.D. or Master's student. Collaboration with other individuals (such as the entrant's faculty advisor or other students) is permitted but the research advisor of the entrant(s) must certify that the contribution of the entrant(s) to the paper is at least 50%. Papers co-written by two students who both meet the eligibility conditions can be submitted as one entry with the understanding that any prize would be divided equally between the two students.
- The topic of the paper should fall within the scope of SCM. For a more detailed description, please see the Google form below for the list of topics.
- The submitted paper may be a working paper and may be under review at a journal; however, it must not have been accepted for publication or previously published in a journal.

The entrant should fill out the Google form <https://forms.gle/ZhadZr1vjP1qs59d7> and submit the following documents via the link supplied through the form by Sunday, November 8, 2026:

1. A cover letter from the entrant's advisor, including a statement that the entrant meets all eligibility requirements. For papers which have two student authors, the advisor is asked to carefully explain each student's role and contribution in the work. The file should be named as "yourFirstNameLastName_letter."
2. The paper in PDF, with at most 32 pages (including all references and appendices) in standard format (1" margins, double-spaced, 11 point font). Author names should not

appear on the paper. Papers exceeding the page limit will be returned without review; **this will be enforced strictly**. The file should be named as "yourFirstNameLastName_paper."

Remarks:

- All competition finalists will be announced early February 2027.
- Conferences fees will *not* be reimbursed for finalists.
- Please refer any questions to the co-chairs of the POMS College of Supply Chain Management 2027 Best Student Paper Competition:

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