

## Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Supervisor Support Form

Dear Graduate Supervisor,

Graduate student \_\_\_\_\_ wishes to register for the 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) competition scheduled for Wednesday, **March 15, 2017**.

3MT is a university-wide competition for Carleton Masters and PhD students in which participants present the main idea of their research in 3 minutes or less to a panel of non-specialist judges. The challenge is to present complex research material in an engaging, compelling way, using only one slide.

As per our requirements to compete, the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs needs to confirm with you that this student is eligible to compete and presenting does not compromise the student's research in relation to confidentiality & intellectual property (see descriptions below).

### Eligibility

- To participate in 3MT 2017, you must currently be registered in a Masters (thesis or research project) or PhD program at Carleton.
- Students registered in degree programs that are strictly course-based are not eligible.
- Each participant must submit the Supervisor Support Form by no later than **February 13, 2017**, confirming that the student has completed substantial progress in research and analysis of his/her research topic.
- Students that have successfully defended their thesis, but have not yet graduated are eligible.
- Each participant must consent to have his/her 3MT presentation video recorded and shared with the other participants, as well as have the presentation posted on youtube.com and carleton.ca should the student's score qualify him/her to be in the top 10 spots.
- Presentations must be based on research that is directly related to the student's graduate research.
- Students that participated in previous 3MT competitions but did not place 1st, 2nd or 3rd are eligible to participate again.
- Presenters must be available to present in person on **March 15, 2017**.
- The first place winner must be available to present in person at the Provincial 3MT competition held by the University of Waterloo on **April 12, 2017**.

### Confidentiality and Intellectual Property Guidelines

- The 3MT presentation must represent the thesis research of the presenter only.
- The presentation of the research, will not affect any pre-existing rights regarding its use at all times prior to and following the competition except as stated below.
- Due to the nature of the competition, we will not ask judges, reviewers, staff or the audience to agree to or sign non-disclosure statements. If your research is being/has been conducted under contract with an outside sponsor, please discuss the related contractual terms of confidentiality and intellectual property with your supervisor before presenting your research project.
- All public sessions of the competition are open to the public at large. Any and all of these public sessions may be broadcast to interested persons through media which may include the Internet.

- Any data or information presented or divulged in public sessions by presenters should be considered information that will likely enter the public realm, and presenters should not assume any right of confidentiality in any data or information discussed, divulged or presented in these sessions. This means if your research includes confidential or culturally-sensitive material, you should think very carefully about how you can present this information. We advise that you discuss your competition entry with your supervisor(s) before entering the 3MT.
- The Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs, Carleton University and the 3 Minute Thesis Competition may make photocopies, photographs, videotapes and/or audiotapes of the presentations or material prepared for use in presentation to be posted on the carleton.ca website for promotion of the 2017 3MT competition and future 3MT competitions.
- Please note that videos of the top 10 finalists of the 3MT competition will be posted following the event on the FGPA webpage and carleton.ca homepage to acknowledge the success of the participants and as promotional material for future 3MT competitions at Carleton.

**Student Information:**

Students Name:

Students Email Address:

Student Number:

Department of Study:

Program of Study: MA      PhD

Title of Presentation (tentative title acceptable):

**Supervisor Information:**

Please confirm your student's eligibility.

Supervisor's Name:

*I confirm that the student is eligible and that his/her participation in the 3MT competition will not compromise his/her research confidentiality or intellectual integrity.*

YES      NO

Signature (supervisor may email completed digital form in place of a signature):

Thank you very much. Please return the completed form to David Lafferty, 512 Tory Building or email to david.lafferty@carleton.ca from the supervisors' email to confirm eligibility.