

# 3 Minute Thesis "3MT®" Competition

# among 4 universities of Science and Engineering in Asia

# Call for 3MT Presentation 2015

3 MT アジア理工系 4 大学大会予選 2015

# 出場者募集要項

For all doctoral students at GSSE, GSISE and GSLS,

In this year, we will have the first competition of 3MT in Japan. The finalist of Ritsumeikan University will be competing with other finalists from 3 universities of Science and Engineering in Asia for the berth of the Trans-Tasman Final held in October 2015 at the University of Queensland in Australia.

We do believe that this competition will develop your academic, presentation and research communication skills in English. We hope that many doctoral students apply for this event!

理工学研究科、情報理工学研究科、生命科学研究科 博士課程後期課程のみなさんへ本年、理工系3研究科において、日本初の3MT大会が開催されることになりました。本学の予選通過者は、2015年10月にオーストラリアのクィーンズランド大学で開催されるタスマニア大会への出場権を賭けて、アジア3大学のファイナリストと競うことになります。

この大会はみなさんにとって、アカデミックスキルや英語でのプレゼンテーションスキル、研究コミュニケーションカなどを高める機会になることでしょう。たくさんのドクター生が参加することを期待しています!

#### About 3MT

Three Minute Thesis (3MT) celebrates the exciting research conducted by UQ PhD students. Developed by The University of Queensland, the exercise cultivates students' academic, presentation, and research communication skills. The competition supports their capacity to effectively explain their research in three minutes, in a language appropriate to a non-specialist audience.

# History

The first 3MT was held at UQ in 2008 with 160 RHD students competing. In 2009 and 2010 the 3MT competition was promoted to other Australian and New Zealand universities and enthusiasm for the concept grew. Due to its adoption in numerous universities, a multi-national event was developed, and the Inaugural Trans-Tasman 3MT competition was held at UQ in 2010.

Since 2011 the popularity of the competition has increased and 3MT competitions are now held in over 200 universities across more than 18 countries worldwide. In November 2013, the first Universitas 21 (U21) 3MT competition was held with several universities from around the world competing in a virtual competition.

## Preliminary at Ritsumeikan University 立命館大学予選:

DATE: Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 16:30- / 6月26日(金)16:30~

PLACE: BKC Prism Hall / BKC プリズムホール

#### Eligibility 応募資格:

- 1) Doctoral Students at Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering and Graduate School of Life Sciences.
- 2) Who is able to join the competition held on 27<sup>th</sup> July at BKC to select a finalist of 5 universities in Asia if you win the preliminary competition at Ritsumeikan University.
- 3) Who is able to join the Trans-Tasman Final held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October at the University of Queensland in Australia if you win the Asian Competition.
- 4) Who can understand the purpose of this event and observe the rules of 3MT.
- 1) 理工学研究科、情報理工学研究科、生命科学研究科 博士課程後期課程に在学する者。
- 2) 本予選で優勝した際は7月27日にBKCで開催されるアジア大会に出場できる者。
- 3) アジア大会で優勝した際は、10月2日にオーストラリアのクィーンズランド大学で開催されるタスマニア大会に出場できる者。
- 4) 大会の趣旨と目的を理解し、3MT に定められている各種ルールを遵守できる者。

#### Application Deadline 応募期限:

If you satisfy all of the eligibility above, please send an e-mail with information below to (rikou-in@st.ritsumei.ac.jp) by Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 17:00.

すべての応募資格を満たしていることを確認の上、<u>6/15(月)17時までに</u>メールで以下の情報を送ってください。(<u>rikou-in@st.ritsumei.ac.jp</u>)

- 1) Student ID Number 学生証番号
- 2) Your name 氏名
- 3) Your major, course 専攻・コース
- 4) Title of your presentation 発表タイトル

### Deadline of presentation slide submission プレゼンテーションスライド提出期限:

Please send the data of your presentation slide in a Microsoft Power Point file to (<u>rikou-in@st.ritsumei.ac.jp</u>) **by Monday, 22**<sup>nd</sup> **June, 17:00.** 

プレゼンテーションで使うスライドのデータは、マイクロソフト社のパワーポイント形式で、 6/22 (月) 17 時までにメールで送付してください。(rikou-in@st.ritsumei.ac.jp)

#### Awards 賞品:

The top 3 winner will be awarded a Pre-paid card to purchase books as a prize.

上位3位に入賞された方には、以下の金額の図書カードを賞品として差し上げます。

For the 1<sup>st</sup> prize: 5,000 JPY For the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize 3,000 JPY For the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize 2,000 JPY

#### **Rules:**

- > A single static PowerPoint slide is permitted.
- No slide transitions, animations or 'movement' of any description are allowed.
- The slide is to be presented from the beginning of the oration.
- No additional electronic media (e.g. sound and video files) are permitted.
- No additional props (e.g. costumes, musical instruments, laboratory equipment) are permitted.
- Presentations are limited to 3 minutes maximum and competitors exceeding 3 minutes are disqualified.
- Presentations are to be spoken word (eg. no poems, raps or songs).
- Presentations are to commence from the stage.
- Presentations are considered to have commenced when a presenter starts their presentation through either movement or speech.
- The decision of the adjudicating panel is final.

#### **Judging Criteria:**

#### **Comprehension & Content**

- > Did the presentation provide an understanding of the background to the research question being addressed and its significance?
- Did the presentation clearly describe the key results of the research including conclusions and outcomes?
- Did the presentation follow a clear and logical sequence?
- Was the thesis topic, key results and research significance and outcomes communicated in language appropriate to a non-specialist audience?
- > Did the speaker avoid scientific jargon, explain terminology and provide adequate background information to illustrate points?
- > Did the presenter spend adequate time on each element of their presentation or did they elaborate for too long on one aspect or was the presentation rushed?

#### **Engagement & Communication**

- Did the oration make the audience want to know more?
- Was the presenter careful not to trivialise or generalise their research?
- Did the presenter convey enthusiasm for their research?
- > Did the presenter capture and maintain their audience's attention?
- > Did the speaker have sufficient stage presence, eye contact and vocal range; maintain a steady pace, and have a confident stance?
- Did the PowerPoint slide enhance the presentation was it clear, legible, and concise?

#### 2015 Trans-Tasman 3MT Competition:

The Trans-Tasman Three Minute Thesis is an annual research communication competition developed by The University of Queensland and is open to all eligible participants from Australian and New Zealand universities. Ritsmeikan University will provide all fees and cost which as application, travel, insurance and accommodation and so on when RU student earn the place to The Trans-Tasman Final.

Date Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2015

Location The University of Queensland, Australia

**GHD** Auditorium

Advanced Engineering Building (49-200) St Lucia Campus Brisbane QLD 4072

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