



C-BYTES Research Showcase and Student Competition

Official Rules

While Quick-Share and Poster-BYTES challenges are completely different in their execution, both need visual elements to enhance understanding within the framework and limitations given. Visuals must be clear, relevant, and well-organized, contributing to the overall communication of the project.

Code of Conduct:

All participants are expected to uphold the [University of Nebraska at Omaha Student Code of Conduct](#) and maintain professionalism throughout the event.

Quick-Share Official Rules:

Eligibility: Open to all CIST students working on projects related to the Collaboratorium. Approval of student's faculty project advisor is required. A maximum of 10 registrants will be invited to present in Quick-Share based on committee decision. Registrants who are not selected for Quick-Share will be automatically invited to participate in the Poster-BYTES competition.

Time Limit: Each presentation must be no longer than 3 minutes. Presenters who exceed this limit will lose points according to the scoring rubric.

Presentation Format: All presentations must be delivered in spoken word format. Forms of artistic expression such as poetry, raps, or songs are not permitted.

Transition Slide: Prior to the three-minute presentation, a transition slide will be shown for up to one (1) minute. This slide, made by the event coordinator, will have the name of the project, the name of the presenter, and the name of their project faculty advisor.

Start of Presentation: The presentation will be considered to have officially begun once the event host advances the PowerPoint presentation to the competition slide.

Visual Aid: A single PowerPoint slide, developed by the student competitor, is required. The slide will remain fixed and be displayed for three (3) minutes; no transitions, animations, or other motion are allowed on the slide.

Other Media: The use of additional media (e.g., audio or video) is not allowed.

Props: Presenters are not allowed to use any additional props (e.g., costumes, musical instruments, or lab equipment).

Posters: Quick-Share presenters can display a full research poster (not to exceed 36 inches by 48 inches) in the competition room. The poster is optional, should present the same research project

approved for competition, and is only intended for networking and discussion AFTER the Quick-Share session has concluded. Any posters displayed by Quick-Share competitors do not count toward competition scoring.

Judging Quick-Share: A panel of judges will complete the rubric for all participants within 15 minutes of the final presentation. A committee will review and calculate scores to determine winners. All decisions made by the judging panel and scoring committee are final. Judging criteria are provided in the Quick-Share Judging Rubric document. Your scores will be kept confidential.

Poster-BYTES Official Rules:

Eligibility: Open to all CIST students working on projects related to the Collaboratorium. Approval of student's faculty project advisor is required.

Poster presentation: Poster presenters must be available at their posters during the designated session to discuss their research with attendees.

Other Media: The use of additional media (e.g., audio, video, computer graphics) is not allowed.

Props: Poster presenters are not allowed to use any additional props (e.g., costumes, musical instruments, or lab equipment).

Poster Specifications

Dimensions: Posters must not exceed 36 inches by 48 inches.

Posters must include:

- Title, author(s), and affiliation
- Background and significance of the research
- Methodology or research design
- Results or findings
- Conclusions and potential impact
- Acknowledgments and references (where applicable)

Judging Poster-BYTES: Faculty and staff across campus, students, and IS&T industry professionals will be invited to attend Poster-BYTES and submit scored rubrics. Scoring will be calculated based on all eligible submissions of scored rubrics, subject to deadline, confirmation of validity, and elimination of repeat submissions. All decisions made by the scoring committee are final. Judging criteria are provided in the Poster-BYTES Judging Rubric document. Your scores will be kept confidential.