



Announcement

Ontario Swine Conference 2026

Research Poster Session

and

Emerging Scholars Competition

March 24-25, 2026

Sheraton Fallsview, Niagara Falls, Ontario

Call for Abstracts

Abstract submission deadline: Monday December 8, 2025, Noon ET.

We are delighted to announce opportunities for researchers and students to engage with the swine industry and to participate in the Ontario Swine Conference.

Researchers are invited to submit abstracts for poster display to the:

Research Poster Session

and students have the opportunity to enter the

Emerging Scholars Competition

This engaging industry event will be attended by a wide range of stakeholders, including but not limited to, fellow researchers, veterinarians, farmers and government, all eager to explore and discuss innovative findings and practical applications in swine research.

This session will be an excellent opportunity to engage, share insight, and foster collaborations that advance the future of pig health, production, and welfare.

**Join us to discover, share new possibilities and contribute
to the progress in pig research!**

~OSC Emerging Scholar and Research Poster Session Planning Committee



Emerging Scholars Competition 2026

To participate in the Emerging Scholars Competition your abstract must be submitted to the Research Poster Session and Meet Eligibility Requirements

Up to 4 abstracts from those submitted for research poster consideration will be selected by a review committee for oral presentation in the “**Emerging Scholars Competition**”.

Eligibility requirements: Abstracts will be accepted for consideration for the Emerging Scholars Competition if they are reporting research conducted by **undergraduate or graduate students** that is relevant to the Canadian swine industry. Candidates must complete the entry form and indicate that they wish their abstract to be included in the Emerging Scholars Competition.

Candidates selected for the OSC Emerging Scholars Competition must be available to give a live, in-person, oral presentation at the Ontario Swine Conference March 24-25, 2026.

The four emerging scholars whose abstracts are selected for the Emerging Scholars Competition will:

- Be invited to give an in-person 12-15-minute oral podium presentation of their work
- Have their abstract published in the OSC proceedings
- Be provided with up to 2 nights’ accommodation (Mon March 23, Tues March 24)
- Receive one complimentary conference registration and banquet ticket (Tues evening)

Awards: The emerging scholar with the best overall combination of a well-written abstract and excellent industry geared oral presentation will receive a **cash prize of \$750**. The second-place winner will receive **\$500**. Judging will be done by a committee of researchers and industry personnel.

Candidates selected for the competition will be communicated the week of **December 23, 2025**.

Please complete the attached OSC Student Emerging Scholars Competition Entry Form and email your abstract and entry form to:

Email all abstracts and entry forms to: abstracts@ontarioswineconference.ca

Subject line: OSC research abstract submission and entry form