

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT™) competition is a collaborative effort between the University of Louisville School of Interdisciplinary and Graduate Studies PLAN graduate student professional development and the Graduate Student Council. Graduate students who participate in 3MT develop vital skills for success in their career inside or outside academia, including presentation and research communication skills. By participating, graduate students have the opportunity to practice effectively explaining their research in language appropriate to a non-specialist audience.

The first 3MT competition was held at UQ in 2008 with 160 Research Higher Degree 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 350 universities across more than 18 countries worldwide.

## **2017 Fall Competition Schedule**

Registration Open Tuesday, August 1

Elevator Talk PLAN Workshop (Prep Workshop, register on the PLAN Website) Friday, November 3

Registration Deadline Monday, November 6

Participation Notification and Confirmation Beginning Tuesday, November 7

Tuesday, November 14, 3-5pm

3MT Fall Preliminary Heat 1

3MT Fall Preliminary Heat 2 Thursday, November 16, 3-5pm

Final Fall 3MT Heat Friday, November 17, 1-4pm

For more information and to register, visit <a href="https://louisville.edu/graduate/plan/threeminutethesis">https://louisville.edu/graduate/plan/threeminutethesis</a>.

The deadline for the Fall 2017 3MT is Monday, November 6!