



IBC2018 Young Statisticians Showcase Competition Information

Eligibility

Applicants should meet the following criteria:

- Applicants should be younger than 35 years at the end of 2017. Applicants should be registered for a graduate or postgraduate degree program, or have graduated with one of these degrees no earlier than 1 January 2015.
- Papers submitted must be **no longer than four pages**. Papers must also contain **original work that has not yet been published**, has not been the subject of any other award, and is **predominantly the student's own work**.
- Applications analyses qualify only if the analysis has methodological implications or shows a novel and interesting application of statistics to an area of the biosciences, including health, agriculture or ecology.
- The applicant must be the **leading author** of the paper.
- Only one paper per student will be accepted.
- Applicants should be members (including student members) of the International Biometric Society.

How to apply?

All those interested in applying should follow the instructions below:

- Submit their contributed paper abstract through the IBC abstract submission site (<https://ibc2018.abstractcentral.com/>), indicating that they are applying to the Young Statisticians' Showcase competition.
- Applicants will then be asked to submit a copy (PDF) of their submitted paper no later than one week after the abstract submission deadline of 10 January, 2018.
- Papers must be at most four pages, with single-spacing and in 11pt font. This should include all figures, tables and a brief bibliography.
- The applicant must also attach a letter from their supervisor or former supervisor, on official letterhead of the student's institution, confirming that the student is registered for (or obtained since the beginning of 2015) a graduate or postgraduate degree, and that the paper to be presented is original, neither previously published nor the subject of any previous award, and is predominantly the student's own work.
- The applicant should attach a short statement regarding the importance of participation in IBC2018 to their research and career development (no more than 500 words).



Selection Process

All submitted papers will be reviewed by a committee of at least five judges. Five papers, **one from each of the five continental areas** (Africa, Asia & Australasia, Europe, North America and South America), will be selected based on the following criteria: **clarity, innovation, methodology and application aspects in addition to submitted supporting documents**. Each paper will be independently judged by at least two judges.

Awardees will be informed before the end of February 2018 and will be asked to prepare an oral presentation at the “Young Statisticians Showcase Session at IBC2018. If any awardee is unable to attend, the committee will have the option of selecting another applicant.