



Council of Logistics Management Undergraduate Student Paper Competition

To complement the Council of Logistics Management's recent adoption of its new student member class, the Council announces the commencement of a new undergraduate student paper competition in Logistics/Supply Chain Management. This competition solicits papers authored by undergraduate students studying logistics/supply chain management that present original research in some area of logistics or supply chain management.

Each year the best undergraduate student paper will be selected from those submitted. The author of the selected paper will receive an honorarium of \$500 and a complimentary registration and travel expenses to the CLM annual conference. In addition, the first place paper will be posted on the CLM website and published in the proceedings of the Logistics Educators Conference. The author will present the winning paper at a poster board session during the Logistics Educators' Conference held in conjunction with the CLM annual conference.

The Department of Management & Marketing at Radford University, under the direction of Dr. Carol Bienstock, will administer the student paper competition by receiving paper submissions and maintaining a faculty committee that will oversee the evaluation of submissions using a blind review process.

The Council of Logistics Management will promote the paper competition each year through the following activities:

- 1) Providing announcements and printed material about the competition at the Council of Logistics Management annual conference, including the Logistics Educators' Conference;
- 2) Sending announcements about the competition to all CLM academic and student members;
- 3) Sending announcements of the competition to all CLM Roundtables;
- 4) Posting an announcement with details of the competition in the *CLM Logistics Review*;
- 5) Placing an announcement about the competition on the CLM website;
- 6) Including an announcement with details of the competition in the *Logistics Comment* publication; and

- 7) Distributing a press release to the logistics press with information about the competition.

The Council of Logistics Management will also provide the funding for the best paper honorarium of \$500, travel expenses, and complementary Council of Logistics Management annual conference registration for the winning paper's author to attend and present the paper during a Poster Board Session at the Logistics Educators' Conference.

This logistics/supply chain management paper competition aimed specifically at undergraduate students has the following benefits:

- It increases undergraduate student awareness of the practical application of logistics and supply chain management;
- It increases undergraduate student awareness of logistics and supply chain management as a career;
- It rewards outstanding students in the areas of logistics and supply chain management;
- It encourages undergraduate students to develop and disseminate knowledge in the field of logistics and supply chain management;
- It increases the awareness of the Council of Logistics Management among undergraduate students with an interest in logistics/supply chain management;
- It enables Council of Logistics Management members to become aware of outstanding undergraduate students studying in the areas of logistics and supply chain management.

Paper submission guidelines and a timetable are below:

Purpose

The Council of Logistics Management Undergraduate Student Paper Competition is designed to honor high quality papers written by student members of the Council of Logistics Management while studying in an undergraduate program whose curriculum contains courses related to logistics/supply chain management.

Eligibility

In order to be eligible:

- Entrants must be a full or part time student studying in an undergraduate program that contains logistics and/or supply chain management courses in the curriculum on or after January 1 of each year of the competition. For the first year of the competition, this date is January 1, 2004.

- Entrants must be student members of the Council of Logistics Management
- Entrants must be the sole author of a research paper that addresses a topic relevant to some area of logistics or supply chain management. Appropriate research formats include (but are not limited to): a case study of one organization; an analysis of secondary/historical data about a topic of interest to the logistics profession; an analysis of primary data about a topic of interest to the logistics profession.
- The paper must be written while the entrant is a student.

Requirements

- When printed, the paper should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages.
- Entrants must submit five (5) hard copies of their paper, plus one electronic copy (in MSWord format) no later than May 1 of each year of the competition. For the first year of the competition, this date will be May 1, 2004.
- Papers submitted should not contain any reference to the author, faculty advisor, or author's institution. Any paper that contains these references will be automatically disqualified.
- Each paper submitted should be accompanied by a letter signed by the student's faculty advisor attesting to the eligibility of the entrant and the Personal Information Form. The letter and form will be separated from the paper submission prior to the blind review process.
- Paper should be submitted to Professor Carol Bienstock at the Department of Management and Marketing at the Radford University address below.

Selection Criteria

- Relevance and timeliness of the paper to the logistics/supply chain management profession
- Quality of writing
- Originality and accuracy of the work
- Depth of analysis and significance of findings/conclusions

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