

2023 Human Rights Thesis Competition

Submission and Presentation Tips

Submission Guidelines

- Submit a short video (2-3 minutes), briefly detailing what topic you would cover if selected to present and what strategies you would use to deliver an engaging presentation.
- [Please upload your submission video here.](#)

Presentation Guidelines

- Presentations should last no longer than 5 minutes.
- Presentations should focus on your thesis research and should be clear, concise, and delivered in an engaging manner. Brevity and enthusiasm are key.
- Participants can draw inspiration from Columbia's [GSAS Master's SynThesis Event](#).

Submission and Presentation Tips

- Present a compelling argument responding to a research question that addresses a human rights issue.
 - Explain why this is an important topic.
 - What is the significance of this research?
 - What are your main findings?
- Demonstrate good oral communication and presentation skills. If you plan to use slides for your presentation, please let us know in advance. Presenters are encouraged to:
 - Avoid filler words or long pauses
 - Maintain eye contact with the room by looking into the camera
 - Be mindful of the presentation flow
 - Be concise and eloquent
 - Avoid reading from notes
 - Be engaging and dynamic
 - Demonstrate enthusiasm