

CASE COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), in conjunction with the local Huntsville SAIC offices, has instituted this case competition to recognize technical excellence at UAH and to foster the development of closer ties between the company and the university.

SAIC is seeking responses to the competitive Technical Case Study entitled <u>The Shifting Paradigm of Education</u> in the 21st <u>Century</u>. Student teams who choose to compete will be required to submit a written response to the case study and to present their response to a panel of judges from SAIC and UAH. SAIC will present awards to three (3) winning teams whose responses are judged the most original, significant, technically sound, and effectively presented. First prize will be \$10,000, second prize will be \$4,000 and third prize will be \$2,000. The prize money will be awarded in the form of scholarships to be distributed evenly among the members of the winning teams.

This competition is open to all university undergraduate students. Students must have a graduation date after Spring of 2014 to qualify. Each team must include at least three (3) students to qualify but an upper limit to the team size is not prescribed. Please note, however, that the award will be evenly distributed among the team members. It is strongly recommended that each team have an advisor from the university, either research or academic faculty. Each team must have at least one (1) student from the Colleges of Engineering or Science.

Teams will be selected for the competition on a first come, first served basis and **the field will be limited to twelve (12) teams** so register early. The review panel will select six (6) finalist teams based on written responses. Finalists will be notified one week prior to the date when presentations will be given. Each finalist team will then be required to deliver to the review panel a 15 minute oral presentation with 10 minutes of question and answer. The review panel will select a winning team based on both the written paper and presentation.

This competition is an excellent way to network with faculty and students from across the university as well as professionals from around Huntsville. Additionally, SAIC managers use this competition as a resource for finding highly qualified candidates for internships and new hires.

To Participate

The attached entry form must be submitted by **5 p.m. Friday, February 28, 2014.** Case Competition Response Papers must be submitted by **Friday, March 21, 2014**. Finalist notification will occur on **Thursday, April 3, 2014**. Case Competition Presentations and Awards will be held on **Friday, April 11, 2014**.

All forms and papers must be submitted electronically to Katie Thurston at kst0003@uah.edu

Selection Procedure and Criteria

The review panel will consider four primary criteria in the selection process:

- 1) Originality or uniqueness of the work,
- 2) Significance or impact of the results,
- 3) Technical acumen, and
- 4) Effectiveness of written and oral communication.

Awards Reception and Ceremony

An awards reception will be held to honor all student finalists, their faculty sponsor, and their guests. The winning teams will be announced and presented with their scholarship check at the reception. Each of the remaining teams will receive a framed certificate honoring their accomplishment. The location of the awards banquet will be announced at a future date.

About SAIC:

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UAH Case Competition Entry Form

(Form required for each student team)

Name of Team:

Case Title: The Shifting Paradigm of Education in the 21st Century

University Advisor:

Student Authors (list all authors):

Student Name	Department	Projected Grad. Date	I <u>DO NOT</u> wish to have my name forwarded to SAIC HR**

Team Points of Contact (all future announcements will be delivered to both PoCs):

_	Primary Team PoC	Secondary Team PoC	Advisor
Name			
E-mail Address			
Phone Number			

** As SAIC is constantly searching for good candidates for future employees, it is our policy to forward the names of entrants to SAIC's human resources (HR) department. Your name will be kept confidential, and will not be used for any purpose other than a minimal level of career recruitment.

If any member of the team DOES NOT want their name forwarded to SAIC HR please indicate by placing an X next to their name in far right column of the table above

SAIC reserves the right to keep a copy of each case study submitted for its records.