

The logo for Career & Innovation Hub features a blue background with abstract geometric shapes in various shades of blue. The text "CAREER & INNOVATION HUB" is written in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters on the right side of the graphic.

# CAREER & INNOVATION HUB

The Career and Innovation Hub (CIH) is proud to host a student video competition “Cut To The Chase” as part of its 2021 virtual [Math Science Career Fair](#).

## “Cut To The Chase”

Use a short video to introduce you and your work to potential employers and Career Fair participants. Allow potential employers to get to know you and participate in a video award competition.

### **1) Where is it?**

Virtual! The event will take place within the Career Fair’s [Whova](#) virtual conference platform. Students can register [here](#). All submissions are welcome – it is not necessary to register for the conference in order to enter the contest.

### **2) When is it?**

Students can prepare their video entries anytime between now and the beginning of the Career Fair on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Submitted videos will be visible to career fair attendees, employers and contest judges from March 18 – 20<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be announced by the end of March.

### **3) Who can join?**

Any undergraduate and graduate students who specialize in the mathematical sciences (including but not limited to mathematics, physics, computer science, statistics, data science, atmospheric sciences, modelling, mathematical biology, finance, drug development, engineering).

### **4) Why should I join?**

To hone your communication skills, work on your elevator pitch, make an impact!

The videos will remain up for the duration of the conference. Conference participants and representatives of partnering companies and organizations will see your video and learn about you and your work. A panel of expert judges will evaluate your videos. **The top three videos (based on the judges' rankings and participant feedback) will be awarded e-gift cards.** Winners will be announced by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

## 5) What do I have to do?

### Step 1:

Film a 2 – 2.5 minute video clip of yourself that answers the following questions:

- (a) Who are you?
- (b) What do you work on?
- (c) What motivates you?
- (d) What ideas and methods do you get excited about?

\*videos that exceed the time limit will not be considered

**[\\*\\* Here is a link to an example video by CIH committee member Thomas Hillen.\\*\\*](#)**

### Step 2:

Submit your video by e-mail to [birs-facilitator@birs.ca](mailto:birs-facilitator@birs.ca)

Submission notes:

- Send e-mail with subject heading **“CF Video Entry [your name]”**
- Videos can be submitted as streaming links (ie. YouTube, Vimeo) or as download links (dropbox, gdrive etc.) .mp4 files preferred.
- Include your full name in the submission e-mail (this will appear as the video title)

By submitting your video, you are providing your consent to have the supplied video posted as part of the Math Science Career Fair.

## 6) Where will my video appear?

During the event, your video will appear within its own “virtual booth” under the “Video Contest” section of the app. Attendees will be able to navigate through the video submissions during the entire three-day event (March 18 – 20, 2021).