SEVENTH ANNUAL THREE MINUTE THESIS COMPETITION

Presented by the Graduate School in partnership with the Graduate Student Association

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ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition celebrates the exciting research conducted by graduate students around the world. Developed by the University of Queensland in 2008, the competition cultivates students’ academic, presentation, and research communication skills. Presenting in a 3MT® Competition increases students’ capacity to succinctly summarize their research in three minutes using language comprehensible to a non-specialist audience. Competitors are allowed one PowerPoint slide, but no other resources or props. The inaugural University of Miami 3MT® Competition was held in April 2017 in partnership with the Graduate Student Association.
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2023 COMPETITORS
(in order of appearance)

**Jordan Wright**
Ph.D. student in Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering
**Dissertation:** Design of Thermoset Composites for Additive Manufacturing Utilizing Artificial Intelligence
**Advisor:** Emrah Celik

**E. Riley Blocker**
Ph.D. student in Physics, College of Arts & Sciences
**Dissertation:** On the Measurement of Submarine Polarization by Daylight
**Advisor:** Kenneth Voss

**Bailey Hinkley Grogan**
D.M.A. student in Studio Music & Jazz Voice, Frost School of Music
**Essay:** A Study of the Lives and Careers of Six Black Female Jazz Instrumentalists: Valida Snow, Pauline Braddy, Melba Liston, Clora Bryant, Terry Pollard, and Dorothy Ashby
**Advisor:** Kathryn Reid

**Acadia Moeyersoms**
Ph.D. student in Cancer Biology, Miller School of Medicine
**Dissertation:** Harnessing the Molecular Determinants in the Management of Ocular Cancers
**Advisor:** Daniel Pelaez

**Chloe Kirk**
Ph.D. student in Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Miller School of Medicine
**Dissertation:** The Disassembly of Physiological Amyloids
**Advisor:** Stephen Lee
2023 COMPETITORS
(continued)

Katlyn Aviles
Ph.D. student in Communication, School of Communication

Dissertation: Season of the Witch: Exploring the Ambiguities of the Witch as a Feminist Figure in Contemporary Hollywood Entertainment and on Social Media

Advisor: Christina Lane

Kelsey Johnson-Sapp
Ph.D. student in Marine Biology & Ecology, Rosenstiel School of Marine, Atmospheric & Earth Science

Dissertation: The Interacting Effects of Algal Symbionts, Seasonality, Environmental History, and Local Selection on the Thermal Tolerance of Threatened and Endangered Caribbean Corals

Advisor: Andrew Baker

Kathryn Gerber
Ph.D. student in Nursing Science, School of Nursing & Health Studies

Dissertation: Neuroinflammatory Biomarkers, Symptoms, and Functional Outcomes in Individuals Who Have Sustained Traumatic Brain Injury

Advisors: Charles Downs and Joseph De Santis

Yini Wang
Ph.D. student in Business, Miami Herbert Business School

Dissertation: Shifting Barriers to PCAOB Inspections: Evidence from Chinese Companies’ Listing Decisions and Audit Quality

Advisor: Miguel Minutti-Meza
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