

# Call for Applications Student Co-operative Case Study Competition Congress 2023, to be held in person at York University, Toronto from May 29 - 31, 2023

The Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation (CASC) is hosting a student case study competition on May 29 and 31 as part of Congress 2023.



The case used in this competition will focus on a governance or policy issue relevant to co-operatives. The competition is designed to test students' ability to apply concepts from the classroom to real world issues and will allow them to showcase their problem-solving capabilities using the case-study method. Examples of potential case topics include:

- analysis of credit union mergers and their impact on governance structures
- management decision making in co-operatives
- strategy and co-operative identity in competitive markets

### **Requirements**

- 1. Open to graduate students and senior undergraduates from universities across Canada and the United States.
- 2. Applicants must write a 200-word submission discussing the relevance of the co-operative model in modern society. The submission must include the applicant's name, and the name

of the applicant's university, program, and year of study. Preference will be given to graduate students, but exceptional senior undergraduates will also be considered. **The application deadline is Friday February 17th, 2023.** 

3. As part of the case competition, there will be free online webinars on presentation skills for interested students. If you are submitting a paper for the conference but would like to also participate in the case competition, please submit your abstract using the following link

# https://forms.gle/VZpfWi6wL5WQnDnX7

4. In addition to participating in the case competition, successful applicants are expected to attend the CASC conference from May 29-31, which is part of Congress 2023 at York University, Toronto

For Congress 2023, the Federation is waiving registration fees for students who selfidentify as Black or Indigenous attending or presenting at an association conference.

## **Case Competition Process**

Up to ten students will be selected. Students will receive the case to review a week before the competition. Students will be assigned to a team of three or four to analyze the case. On the morning of May 29, before the start of the conference, students will have the opportunity to meet in person and present their case to one or two CASC members for feedback.

### Final Case Presentation

At a panel during the CASC Conference on May 31, each team will present its case analysis using a modified Three Minute Thesis format. The presentation will be judged by a team of referees.

Please forward this call for applications to others within your university whom you think would have students interested in the case study competition.

# Applicants should send their submissions to:

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