

Rules and Conditions

Division VI Innovative Teaching Ideas in Welding (Papers)

Entry Contents and Requirements

The objective of the competition is to share the best and most innovative practices in teaching welding. Instructors may submit papers representing their work in teaching. Works may consist of one or more of the following:

- Lesson plans regarding welding (please include accompanying handouts, visual aids, assessments, and the like).
- Teaching aids for teaching welding.
- Tips or tricks for teaching welding.
- Papers on topics such as welding safety, welding education, or the innovative use of virtual reality to train welders.

Eligibility

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Any instructor, in any level of education, who is currently instructing instructional units or courses in welding.

Any number of individual entries may be submitted by an instructor. Instructors must submit entries as individuals only. Entries submitted by a pair or a group are not eligible.

Neither the founder of the Foundation, the founder's employees, or families, its officers, its advertising agency, its distributing agents nor dealers shall be permitted to compete for any award or benefit of the Program, and no award shall be given to any such party or person.

Judging

The Jury of Awards will be selected from various branches of engineering, education, business or industry or from any other suitable source by its Chairman, or Executive Director. Each Entry will be judged anonymously by the Jury of Awards. The Jury will receive only an unidentified original copy of the Entry. If a Juror through prior knowledge is able to recognize any of the entrants that Juror will not participate in any judging related to that particular Entry. The Jury of Awards will use the following criteria to select Entries for Awards:

1. Originality or Ingenuity.
2. Feasibility.
3. Integration of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).
4. Clarity of the presentation.
5. If relevant to the content of the papers, whether safe work practices were followed.

The Jury may call to its assistance such aid as it may consider desirable. Any action of the Jury may be certified by its Chairman for and on its behalf and such certification shall be conclusive proof of all actions and proceedings.

What Happens To the Papers?

Other Uses of the Papers

All innovative teaching ideas and/or lesson plans become the property of The James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation. The Foundation shall have the right, in its discretion, to publish or otherwise use the papers, and in such case will give credit to the author.

Should an entrant wish to submit a paper in another competition or to retain a commercial interest, or to offer it for publication by others, such wishes must be clearly noted on the Entry Form. Such other use will in no way influence the judging of the papers in this Award Program.

The Foundation is interested in the development of the technology and education in arc welding. It is not in any way interested financially in the work described in a paper.

The existence of patents will in no way affect ratings by the Jury of Awards nor will the Foundation have any financial interest in any patent rights. The Jury's decision will be final in all cases.