

2026 WSWs STUDENT PAPER JUDGING COMMITTEE REPORT

2026 Student Paper Judging: Jake Courkamp (Past-Chair), Judit Barroso (Chair), Jason Adams (Chair-Elect), Peter Weston Maughan (Student Representative).

In total, there were 46 entries in the 2026 WSWs Annual Meeting student competition. These entries included 26 posters and 20 oral presentations. From the total presentations, 89% were from graduate students and 11% from undergraduates. Twenty-two judges were recruited for the student competition, 77% of whom volunteered, while the remaining 23% graciously agreed to serve when approached.

David Clements	Tom Getts	Brianne Tidemann
Jeffrey Golus	Austin Frewert	Sohaib Chattha
Avik Mukherjee	Shannon Clark	Caleb Dalley
Clebson Goncalves	Noemi Codina Pascual	Jake Courkamp
Marty Schraer	Luisa Baccin	Jason Adams
Brian Schutte	Vhuthu Ndou	Judit Barroso
Daniel Beran	Ryan Hill	
Ryan Bryant-Schlobohm	Chloe Mattilio	

Sections with nine or more entries were awarded first, second, and third place. Sections with 5-8 entries were awarded first and second, and sections with 1-4 entries were awarded first only. The winners of the student competition were as follows:

Posters: Undergraduate Level

Weeds of Agronomic Crops (3 entries)

1st place: Ethan Frager

Weeds of Horticultural Crops (2 entries)

1st place: Madden Robertson

Posters: Graduate Level

Weeds of Agronomic Crops (10 entries)

1st place: Ian Waldeker

2nd place: Devanshi Desai

3rd place: Peter Weston Maughan

Weeds of Horticultural Crops (5 entries)

1st place: Davi Fiedler

2nd place: Greeshmanth Alluri

Weeds of Range, Forestry, and Natural Areas (4 entries)

1st place: Felipe Quatroni

Basic Biology and Ecology (2 entries)

1st place: Renan Favera

Oral presentations: Graduate Level

Weeds of Agronomic Crops (9 entries)

1st place: Ian Waldeker

2nd place: Renan Favera

3rd place: Laura Rodriguez

Weeds of Horticultural Crops (3 entries)

1st place: Pamela Medeiros dos Santos

Weeds of Range, Forestry, and Natural Areas (4 entries)

1st place: Claire Anderson

Basic Biology and Ecology (4 entries)

1st place: Olanrewaju Adeyemi

The incoming committee member is Shannon Clark