



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
GRAD SLAM
THREE-MINUTE THESIS
C O M P E T I T I O N
2026

HOSTED BY
Cal State Fullerton.

EVENT GUIDE

Registration in advance is required. Please use [this link to register](#). Register using a ZOOM account. If needed, please review [this information regarding free Zoom accounts](#).

The 2026 CSU Grad Slam is Friday, May 1, 2026.

This year's event will feature 40 competitors from 20 CSU campuses in six different preliminary breakout rooms! Two competitors from each preliminary round will advance to compete in the final round.

The final round winners include first and second place and an Audience Choice winner. Join us to vote for the Audience Choice Winner during the final round competition.

Please use this Event Guide to locate competitors and adjust your Zoom settings for the best virtual experience!

Agenda

Time	Event	Zoom Room Location
10:00am-10:15am	Opening Ceremony	Opening Ceremony & Final Round Competition
10:30am-12:00pm	Preliminary round competitions	Preliminary Rooms 1-6
12:00pm	Preliminary round competition winners announced	Opening Ceremony & Final Round Competition
12:00pm-1:00pm	Lunch break	
1:00pm-2:30pm	Final round competition and final winners announced	Opening Ceremony & Final Round Competition

PRELIMINARY ROUND COMPETITORS

We have 20 CSU campuses participating with 40 competitors pre-assigned to the designated breakout rooms as noted below:

Order	Preliminary Round Room 1	Preliminary Round Room 2	Preliminary Round Room 3	Preliminary Round Room 4	Preliminary Round Room 5	Preliminary Round Room 6
1	Callie Steppat (San Marcos)	Nayomi Camarena Rios (Dominguez Hills)	Monzerrath Ramos Gonzalez (Sacramento)	Erik Christy (San Diego)	Matthias Milton (Monterey Bay)	Megan Bosch (Sonoma)
2	Aleydis Farrera (Stanislaus)	Jade Leyvas (East Bay)	Vanessa Ly (San Jose)	Marcello Garbo (San Francisco)	Kevin Gonzalez Gutierrez (Fullerton)	Olivia Rankin (San Luis Obispo)
3	Paul McElvogue (Dominguez Hills)	Brenda Drew (Los Angeles)	Soph Robson (Humboldt)	Shirley Trieu (Sonoma)	Gerbert Funes Alfaro (Northridge)	Madison Guerrero (Bakersfield)
4	Evelyn Norris (Chico)	Kimberly Cervantes (Sacramento)	Samir Kassem (San Diego)	Jocelyne Argueta (Pomona)	Malaina Vaden (San Francisco)	Amber Peek (Long Beach)
5	Ranya Oubeid (Fullerton)	Maria Angela Richards (San Marcos)	Gurmeet Kaur (San Bernardino)	Katherine Molinari (Monterey Bay)	Tammica Gipson (Stanislaus)	Jason Ly (San Jose)
6	Magee Headley (Humboldt)	Paola Amezcua (Chico)	Aziell Paul Limbo (Los Angeles)	Aa'ishah Riaz (East Bay)	Lauren Munoz (Long Beach)	Ethan Castanon (Northridge)
7	Kristin Chiu (San Luis Obispo)	Luis Gonzalez (San Bernardino)	Alexis Medrano (Pomona)	Elizabeth Heckathorn (Bakersfield)		

After the preliminary rounds conclude, return to the "Opening Ceremony and Final Round Competition" room for the announcement of the preliminary round winners.

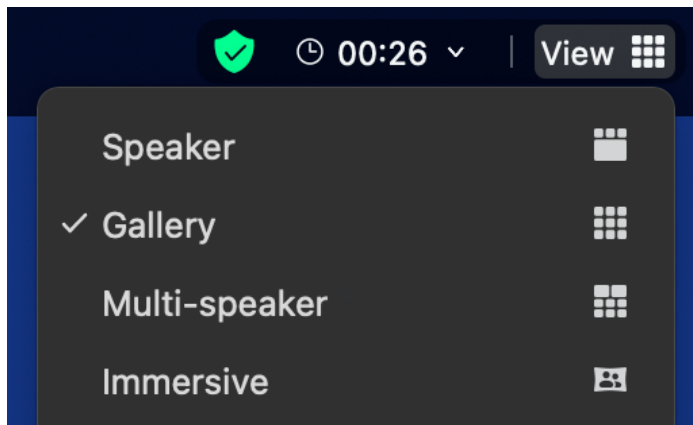
We will have a break from 12:00-1:00pm.

ZOOM VIEWING OPTION

We recommend viewing the presentations in side-by-side mode. Please adjust your “**View Options**” accordingly to your preference or suggested setting below.

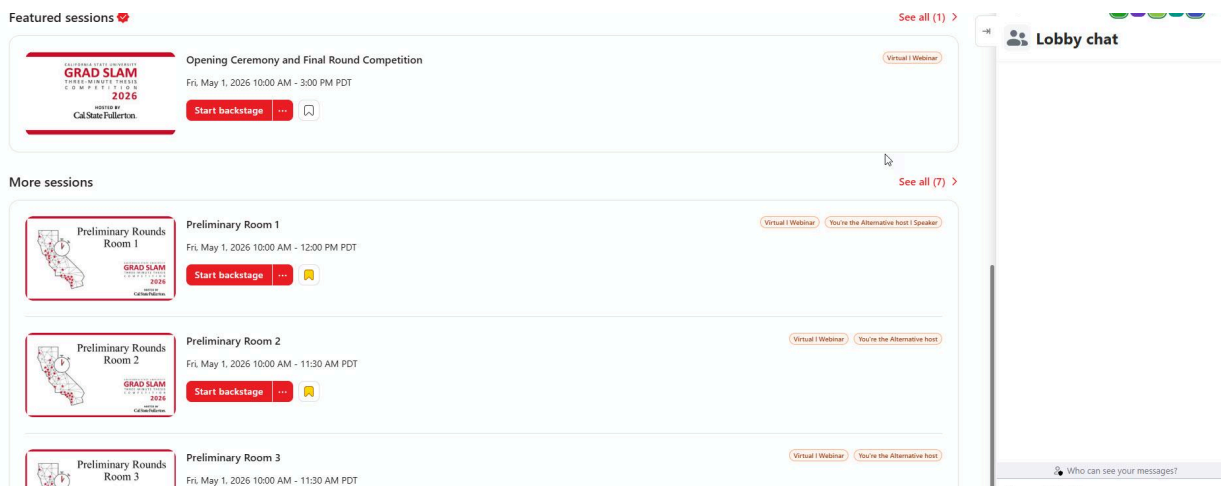
1. When in a Zoom meeting or webinar and the host is sharing their screen, you can select View Options in the top menu bar to enable “**Side-by-side Mode**” during the presentation.
2. Then, find the “**View**” button in the upper right corner, and set it to “**Side-by-side: Gallery**” to put the speaker on the right of the shared screen. You can drag the slider between the shared screen and speaker to make the speaker’s video more prominent than the slide and vice-versa.

Example of Setting up “Side-by-side: Gallery” in Zoom:



LOBBY AND BREAKOUT ROOMS

You will enter the event in Zoom using the link you were provided when you [registered](#). You will be directed to the lobby where you will see all the breakout rooms.



You have the option to move from room to room, just head back to the lobby to select a different room.

If you accidentally leave the entire event, please use the same link you received when you registered to re-enter the Zoom event.