

**National Broadcasting Society  
Region One  
2009 Academic Paper Competition**

**Rules:** This competition is open to current national student members of NBS. The signature of the NBS advisor indicates the entrant's current membership in NBS. Academic paper entries may be on any communications or media related issue. All papers will be judged by media professionals on the basis of overall quality, academic excellence, style, and clarity. All entries must be student-written; faculty may serve in an advisory capacity only. Entries submitted to previous competitions are not eligible. All entries must have been written between September 1, 2008 and October 12, 2009. Each entry must be accompanied by a separate entry form and entry fee. **EACH ENTRY MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PRINTOUT OF THIS PDF FORM COMPLETED BY TYPING INTO THE DOCUMENT. HAND-PRINTED FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. SUBMIT THE PAPER IN PDF FORMAT ON A CLEARLY LABELED CD.** All entries must be postmarked and sent via first-class mail on or before **October 12, 2009.**

Paper Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrant Name(s) (*maximum of 3*): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street address) (city, state) (zip code)

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Paper was completed: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University where written \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of NBS Chapter Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Fee:** Please enclose \$10.00 for each paper being entered in the NBS Region One Academic Paper Competition. Make checks payable to *National Broadcasting Society*. Any entry received without the proper entry fee or that fails to conform to the rules of the competition will be disqualified.

**Format:** Academic papers must use Courier (or its equivalent) 12-point type, and must follow the Publication Manual of the APA. Entries must be submitted as PDF documents on a clearly labeled CD. Multiple entries from the same entrant(s) may be submitted on a single CD, but a separate entry form must be completed for each entry.

Having read and complied with the rules of the regional academic paper competition, I am submitting this entry. I hereby grant permission to the National Broadcasting Society to use this paper in any program produced for or in connection with the Society, including its conferences, conventions, and awards ceremonies.

ENTRANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL A CD WITH PAPER(S) IN PDF FORMAT AND ENTRY FEES (payable to *National Broadcasting Society*) TO: Prof. Dennis Lebec, Communications Dept., Mercyhurst College, 501 East 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16546. **All entries must be postmarked on or before October 12, 2009.**