CISC 897 – Research Methods in Computer Science
Fall 2016 – Assignment # 7

Due Nov 4th, 2016 in class

Task 1 – Preparing your 3MT pitch

As discussed in class, you will be presenting the general theme of your chosen research topic in a 3 Minute Thesis pitch. Please follow all the guidelines discussed in class.

Read through 3MT instructions and resources: http://queensu.ca/3mt/resources

You will be judged based on the criteria listed here: http://queensu.ca/3mt/rules

A copy of the score sheet is attached to this assignment.

Rehearse… You only have 3 minutes. Need practice with a timer? You can download the one we'll use from our OnQ space, courtesy of Colette Steer.

Send me your 3MT slide (if any) by Thursday Nov 3rd 11:59 pm at the latest.

3 MT judging criteria

Comprehension:
/50

Did the presentation help the audience understand the research?

Did the presenter clearly outline the aims of research?

Do you know what is significant about this research?

Did the presentation follow a logical sequence?

Did the presenter explain future work clearly?

Engagement:
/50

Did the oration make the audience want to know more?

Was the presenter careful not to trivialize or 'dumb down' their research?

Did the presenter convey enthusiasm for their work?

Did the presenter capture and maintain their audience's attention?

Would I like to know more about the speaker's research?

Communication:
/50

Was the thesis topic and its significance communicated in language appropriate to a non-specialist audience?

Did the speaker use sufficient eye contact and vocal range; maintain a steady pace, and a confident stance?

Did the speaker avoid scientific jargon, explain terminology that needed to be used, and provide adequate background information to illustrate points?

Did the presenter spend the right amount of time on each element of their presentation – or did they elaborate for too long or were rushed?

Did the PowerPoint slide enhance, rather than detract from, their presentation – was it clear, legible and concise?

Total   **/150**