

ICSCC 2025- Norms for Best Paper Awards

1. Research & theoretical framing (30%)

- Well-articulated research inquiry/objective(s) and/or well-formulated research questions
- Appropriate and adequate literature review beyond mere enumeration of references
- Critical analysis and good synthesis that lead to the establishment of a sound theoretical framework for the work
- Required concepts and jargon are introduced judiciously and clearly

2. Research context, methodology and analysis (30%)

a) For empirical papers

- Clear and precise description of the empirical context
- Clearly and appropriately established match between the research inquiry / theoretical framing and the methodology employed
- Completeness and quality of analysis

b) For Interventionist papers

- Sound technical and pedagogical/learning design

c) For review papers

- Completeness of the framework established for comparison and quality of analysis

d) For theoretical paper

- A novel theoretical exposition or development of a theoretical framework through rigorous synthesis, deduction
- Challenges of existing knowledge and prior research
- Development of new theory or theoretical framework

3. Discussion & conclusion (20%)

- In-depth interpretation and rise-above from the research findings and prior literature by providing novel insights and expositions that stretch, refine or challenge the theoretical constructs.
- Promotion of a continuing and significant research agenda, or, improved, adaptable and scalable professional practices.
- Well-articulated limitations in the reported study.

4. Presentation (20%)

- Readability, coherence, effective organization and presentation of concepts, facts, expositions, figures, tables, etc. Use of clear, concise and comprehensible language (10%).
- Quality of Oral presentation and performance in Questionnaire session (10%).