University of Calgary Graduate Student Poster Competition 2009

The Graduate Student Poster Competition was hosted by the CSCE Calgary Section in conjunction with the CSCE Calgary Section dinner meeting held on February 19, 2009 at the Blackfoot Inn. University of Calgary graduate students in all areas of civil engineering presented their research work to members of the engineering profession and the University of Calgary.



1st **Prize:** Mohamed Sorour; 2nd **Prize:** Sanjeewa Wickramaratne; 3rd **Prize:** Reeza Dehghan **Honourable Mention:** Anuruddhika Jayasinghe; Sujeewa Wimalasena; Keely Obert; Farshid Gholami; Doris Weiss; Mahsa Taghi Zadeh; Hani AbelAzeem; Tharindu Weerasinghe; Chamika Haththotuwa; and Shahadat Hossain.

With more than 35 engineers in the audience, the 13 graduate students presented their research to each of the four judges, all engineers from industry, consulting and the University of Calgary. The evaluation criteria included thesis objective, methodology, content, results, conclusions, aesthetic and interview. The evening was abuzz as the judges and audience alike hovered about the students attempting to absorb what they could of the innovative research that could one day find its way into our daily practice of engineering.

The CSCE Calgary Section would like to thank the Department of Civil Engineering for their generous sponsorship. We also want to thank the University of Calgary Graduate Student Chapter executive headed by Mr. Carlos Hunte for organizing this event. To the students that participated, thank you for your time and effort preparing the posters and presentations. We all believe this event has proven successful at creating discussion and dialog between students and the industry in which they will one day soon be working.