

# Detroit Society for Coatings Technology (DSCT)

## FOCUS CONFERENCE 2026



### **“CALL FOR TECHNICAL POSTER”**

The DSCT Future of Coatings Under Study (FOCUS) committee invites university (undergraduate and graduate) students to enter a technical poster competition held during the next FOCUS Conference on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026. This is an annual conference held at Laurel Manor in Livonia, MI. It's an excellent opportunity to network with professionals and industry leaders. Students will be able to showcase their research efforts and accomplishments in polymers and coatings, including interior, exterior, battery, and industrial applications.

**Monetary prizes of up to \$500 ea. will be awarded to the best posters presented.**

Interested students/ faculty advisors must fill out and submit the attached poster submission form by Tuesday February 17, 2026, to be considered for presenting a poster at the conference. Notifications will be made to accepted presenters by February 27, 2026.

In addition to the monetary prizes, up to 10 competitors will be granted a travel award of up to \$750 ea. to attend and present their research. The travel award will encompass the amount spent on travel and accommodation. Expense receipts must be provided to receive the travel awards. Travel awards will be granted at the conference. All selected poster presenters will need to submit a single page pdf file of their posters, no later than April 11, 2026 to: [call4abstracts@dsctfocus.org](mailto:call4abstracts@dsctfocus.org)

If you have any questions about the poster competition or the conference, please contact us at: [call4abstracts@dsctfocus.org](mailto:call4abstracts@dsctfocus.org)

For more general information about the conference please visit our website: [http://  
dsctfocus.org/](http://dsctfocus.org/)

## **DSCT FOCUS Poster Abstract Submission - 2026**

**(Completed abstract submission must be sent by Tuesday February 17, 2026 to [call4abstracts@dsctfocus.org](mailto:call4abstracts@dsctfocus.org))**

Fill out presenter information and abstract below (abstract should contain 2,000 characters maximum, this consists of grammar and spacing)

Student Name:

Principal Investigator/Research Advisor:

Student level: Undergraduate/Graduate

Name of University and Department:

Email Address:

Estimated Travel and Accommodation cost:

Abstract/ Poster title:

Abstract: