

BIOSOL2025: Rules & Guidelines

By submitting an entry to BIOSOL2025, all participants agree to comply with the following rules and guidelines. Any violation may result in disqualification at the sole discretion of the organizers.

Eligibility

To participate in BIOSOL2025, you must meet the following criteria:

1. Student status: You must be either:
 - A final-year undergraduate student, or
 - A recent graduate who completed a bachelor's degree within one year of the submission deadline (i.e., on or after 20 September 2024).
2. Individual entries only: Each submission must be from an individual participant (no group entries).

Video Guidelines

Length: Your video should be between 60 and 120 seconds long.

Language: Videos must be in English.

File Format: Submit your video in .mp4 format using the H.264 codec.

Max File Size: Please keep the file size under 300 MB.

Resolution: Videos should be recorded and edited in high resolution (1920×1080), landscape orientation (16:9 aspect ratio).

File Name: Name your video file as:

Institution_LastName_FirstName

(e.g., *UCPH_Smith_Anna.mp4*)

Originality: Submissions must be original and created by the applicant. Do not include copyrighted content without permission.

Creative Freedom: You may speak directly to the camera, use props, animations, illustrations, or any other creative approach. However, speaking to the camera for at least a few seconds is encouraged.

AI Content: If your video includes any AI-generated elements (e.g., images, audio, animation), you must disclose the tool(s) used in your submission form.

Use of External Materials: You may use royalty-free music, images, or assets, provided they comply with licensing terms. Do not use copyrighted content without appropriate permission.

Intellectual Property & Permissions

By entering, participants affirm that their video is their original work and does not infringe on third-party rights.

Do not include other videos, music, or visuals without proper authorization.

By submitting an entry, each entrant warrants that they are the sole author and copyright owner of the video or have permission to use any third-party content.

Participants grant the University of Copenhagen and BIOSOL2025 partners a non-exclusive license to use, share, and promote submitted videos in print or digital media, including on social media, without attribution or prior permission.

Entrants must obtain consent from every person who appears in, is heard in, or whose likeness is featured in the video.

Entries containing offensive, defamatory, illegal, or inappropriate content, as determined solely by BIOSOL2025 organizers or the judging panel, will be disqualified and removed.

Judging & Selection

Videos will be evaluated by a panel composed of:

- Students and professors from the University of Copenhagen involved in the MSc programme in Biosolutions
- Representatives from DTU, Helix Lab, and Knowledge Hub Zealand may also participate

Evaluation criteria:

- Relevance to biosolutions
- Creativity and originality
- Clarity and overall communication impact
- Video and editing quality

Notification & Prize Claim

Finalists will be notified via email or phone in October 2025.

If a selected winner cannot be reached within 5 calendar days, declines the prize, or fails to comply with the rules, the prize will be forfeited and awarded to the next highest-scoring finalist.

To ensure geographical diversity, one winner will be selected from a university located in the European Union or an associated country (e.g., Switzerland, Norway), and the other from a university located outside these regions. Submissions will be evaluated in these two regional groups, and the highest-scoring entry in each group will be awarded. In case of a tie within a group, judges will re-evaluate the tied entries to determine the most compelling overall submission.

Each winner will receive a fully funded trip to Campus Kalundborg, Denmark, in December 2025, which includes:

- Round-trip travel from the country of their academic institution to Denmark
- Accommodation in Denmark
- Participation in social and cultural activities during the stay

Winners must be eligible and able to travel to Denmark in December 2025.

Additional Terms

BIOSOL2025 organizers and judges have the final say on all decisions related to the challenge. No appeals or reconsiderations will be accepted.

The organizers are not obligated to respond to individual inquiries regarding contest outcomes.

BIOSOL2025 organizers reserve the right to amend, postpone, or cancel the challenge due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g., insufficient number of qualified entries).

Winners must retain receipts for any reimbursable travel-related expenses, which must comply with University of Copenhagen policies.

Participants are responsible for securing valid travel documents (e.g., passport, visa).