

Academic Bowl

The purpose of the academic bowl is to highlight the collaborative efforts of teams working to solve global energy issues by showcasing students from around the world working together to solve scientific and technical problems related to the fuel cell industry.

The unique format of this competition may seem confusing at first glance, but after four rounds of being grouped with participants from other teams, the Champion Academic Bowl Team will be the team that has consistently been a member of the most successful groups.

The Academic Bowl will be comprised of four rounds. Each member of a team will alternate to participate in two of the four rounds. At the beginning of each round, groups will have five minutes to choose a group spokesperson. The group will be given 10 questions, one at a time. The group will collaborate to agree on one answer for the question. The answer will be written on a sheet of paper with a marker and turned face down on the judges' table before the end of 90 seconds. Only the group leader can submit the answer for the group. At the end of 90 seconds the judges will check each group's answer and will determine which of the answers are correct. Group members will be awarded points according to the schedule below.

All questions will be based on the book Hydrogen, Hot Stuff, Cool Science by Rex Ewing and on certain segments of the Fuel Cell Handbook published by the Fuel Cell Council which will be listed in the Student Competition Kit.

Twenty minutes before the start of the Academic bowl, teams will be randomly assigned a letter. Each team member will also be given a number.

Team A Member 1 (A-1)

Team A Member 2 (A-2)

We currently expect 10 teams to participate in the program, so there will be 20 participants. Each Academic Bowl Group will have 3 members. One team will have only two participants. The schedule below will be adjusted if the number of final teams changes.

Global Academic Bowl Schedule

Round 1

Group 1 -	A1	B1	C1
Group 2 -	D1	E1	F1
Group 3 -	G1	H1	I1
Group 4 -	J1	K1	

Round 2

Group 1 -	J2	G2	D2
Group 2 -	K2	H2	B2
Group 3 -	I2	E2	A2
Group 4 -	C2	F2	

Round 3

Group 1 -	F1	K1	G1
Group 2 -	C1	E1	J1
Group 3 -	D1	B1	I1
Group 4 -	A1	H1	

Round 4

Group 1 -	D2	C2	H2
Group 2 -	A2	K2	G2
Group 3 -	J2	F2	I2
Group 4 -	E2	B2	