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SciCast College Bowl Kicks off Today, April 29

Announcing the 1st Annual College Bowl Competition in Science and Technology
Forecasts

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SciCast is pleased to announce the SciCast College Bowl, an open competition to see who the best forecasters are in science and technology. People wishing to enter the competition can join a team representing the college of their choice and win individual and team prizes for accuracy in their forecasts and other activities.

When participants register on the site they will choose from a variety of questions and make forecasts on the outcomes. Detailed background information will be provided for each question. Forecasts can be updated any time until the question closes. Updates can be based on what you learn or just a change in opinion.

The College Bowl is scheduled to run until May 31 and is designed to engage college students, alumni, faculty, researchers, professionals, and hobbyists interested in current innovations in science and technology. Questions in the College Bowl will include topics such as 3-D printing, medicine, robotics, and space sciences.

First prize in the SciCast College Bowl is a \$500 gift card to Chipotle or Amazon (winners' choice) for the most accurate forecaster. Top 10 forecasters from winning teams will also be awarded prizes both for accuracy and level of participation.

For more information and to enter, visit <https://scicast.org/collegebowl>

About SciCast: SciCast is a crowdsourced forecasting platform for science and technology run by George Mason University. It is based on the idea that the collective wisdom of an informed and diverse group is often a better predictor than the judgment of a single expert. Part of the Forecasting Science and Technology (ForeST) Program funded by the Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA), SciCast questions are generated by its participants, as well as ForeST teams at InKling Markets, George Mason University, BAE Systems and SRI International.