

Paper calls 2014

Newspaper and Online News Division

Open call: The Newspaper and Online News Division invites faculty and students to submit original, non-published research papers to be considered for presentation at the AEJMC annual conference, Aug. 6-9, 2014, in Montreal, Canada. We welcome theoretically based qualitative or quantitative research papers related to newspaper and online news, investigating topics such as news coverage, ethics, law, history, effects, diversity and fairness issues, social media and journalism, newsgathering norms and routines, economic challenges, digital divides, multimedia reporting, etc. Awards are given to the top three division papers (first place, \$100; second, \$75; third, \$50).

Student papers will be considered for the MacDougall Student Paper Award. Authors should include “MacDougall Student Paper Award” on the title page. Papers submitted with both faculty and student authors will be considered faculty papers and are not eligible for the student competition. A \$200 prize and a certificate will be given to the author of the top student paper.

Special call: For the third year, NOND will partner with the American Copy Editors Society to encourage and reward research related to copy editing. The winner will present the research at the 2014 AEJMC conference in Montreal. A prize of \$100 will be awarded, as will complementary registration to the ACES conference for the following year. Authors who wish to have their paper considered for this award are asked to include “ACES award” on their submission. Papers submitted for ACES are also included in the general judging, and reviewers are able to place papers from the general call into consideration for ACES. Student and faculty authors may enter.

Submission of papers: Papers must be submitted electronically in Word or PDF format no later than 11:59 p.m. (Central Daylight Time) April 1, 2014, using AEJMC’s All Academic system. No hard copies will be accepted. All entries must follow the guidelines of the AEJMC uniform paper competition. Paper length is limited to 25 pages, not including references, tables, appendices or abstract. Tables must be placed after the main text; if not, they will count as part of the 25 pages. The total (all-inclusive) page count maximum is 30 pages. All submissions undergo a blind review process by a panel of independent reviewers. Papers are accepted on the understanding that they have not been previously published or presented elsewhere and that they have been submitted to only our division for evaluation.

Paper authors must remove identifying information from their papers or they will be automatically disqualified from the competition.

If you have any questions, please contact research co-chairs Mitch McKenney (mmckenne@kent.edu) or Jasmine McNealy (jemcnealy@uky.edu).

(This is updated from the call published in the January 2014 AEJMC newsletter.)