GSIG 2019 Paper Call

The Graduate Student Interest Group (GSIG) invites graduate students to submit original, unpublished research papers for the 2019 AEJMC annual convention in Toronto, Canada. GSIG is dedicated to providing opportunities for graduate students to present research in the conference setting. Author(s) may be at any point in their graduate education, from master's through PhD. Submissions will only be competing with other graduate students and not faculty or established researchers, which makes a big difference for beginning researchers looking to share their work.

GSIG accepts research from all theoretical and methodological perspectives addressing any topic in journalism, media, or mass communication. All submissions must be uploaded through the AEJMC conference website.

The top-ranked submission will receive the annual Guido Stempel Award and will receive a cash prize, award plaque, and conference registration reimbursement for the lead author. Authors of the top four papers will have the opportunity to present at a special GSIG-sponsored research panel highlighting graduate student research. To be considered for GSIG awards, author(s) must be graduate students at the time of submission.

In addition, the top submission by a master's degree student will receive a cash prize and award plaque. The *lead author of the paper must be a current master's student at the time of submission*. If an author qualifies and would like to be considered for this award, please mark the title page of the submission with MASTERS AWARD SUBMISSION.

Papers should be submitted to the AEJMC site in Microsoft Word or PDF format (PDF preferred). An abstract of 75 words should also be uploaded at the time of submission. Papers should be no more than 25 pages, not counting references, tables or appendices. Authors should use Times New Roman in 12-point font, with 1-inch margins, double-spaced and should use APA style. According to AEJMC submissions guidelines, the manuscript title should be printed on the title page, the first page of the text, and on running heads on each page of text. *Do NOT include author's name anywhere in the document*. Papers uploaded with author's identifying information displayed WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR REVIEW AND WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE COMPETITION. Please carefully check manuscripts for self-identifying information of any kind, including matters of self-citation. AEJMC

formally recommends submitting articles at least one day before the deadline to allow time to double check the uploaded document does not contain any self-identifying information or have any other technical issue. An early submission will allow any and all individuals to fully check submissions as they are entered into the system. Please refer to the AEJMC uniform paper call for more information.

All submissions will 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 (with the exception of the AEJMC Midwinter Conference) and are not under consideration by any scholarly journal or trade organization. Only one paper per first author will be accepted. Authors must be current graduate students.

Submit the paper via the AEJMC website link

(<u>https://convention2.allacademic.com/one/aejmc/aejmc19/</u>) to the AEJMC GSIG group. The paper must be uploaded to the server no later than 11:59 P.M. (Central Daylight Time) Monday, April 1, 2019.

Questions regarding submissions should be directed to GSIG Research Chairs Jessica McKnight (mcknight.153@buckeyemail.osu.edu) or Janita Poe (jpoe5@gsu.edu).

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