



Call for Papers

2017 Student Paper Awards Competition

The Cultural Geography Specialty Group (CGSG) invites students to apply for the **2017 Terry G. Jordan- Bychkov (Ph.D.) and Master's Level Student Paper Awards**. The competition recognizes outstanding work by graduate students pursuing research in cultural geography. The papers are judged on the basis of scholarly merit (quality, rigor, and significance of the argument, findings, and methodical approach), organization, and clarity.

The paper must be given at a professional meeting between 3 April 2016 and 4 April 2017 (in the time since the previous AAG meeting). Although this paper need not be presented at the 2017 AAG Meeting, students are encouraged to submit papers presented at the national or regional AAG meetings.

The competition is open to any graduate student or recent graduate of a geography program (since the previous AAG annual meeting) who presents a cultural geography paper from dissertation or thesis work and who is a member of the CGSG. Papers must be single-authorship. Student membership in the CGSG costs \$2 per year. Applicants for the paper competition cannot simultaneously apply for the CGSG Research Grants.

The award amounts are \$250 (Ph.D.) and \$200 (Master's). Awards may not be made if no papers are deemed suitable. Entries undergo blind review by a committee of geography faculty members. A complete application must be **submitted online no later than 5 pm MST on 10 February 2017** (no late submittals will be accepted).

Application

The online applications are available on the Cultural Geography Specialty Group website: <http://www.kent.edu/stark/cgsg-awards-grants>

A complete application consists of: 1) the online application, 2) a one-page curriculum vitae, and 3) a paper.

Incomplete submissions will not be reviewed. Please be sure to upload as a .docx and pdf files per instructions below.

We will not accept paper submissions from graduate students in geography departments who are not members of the Cultural Geography Specialty Group.

Multiply authored papers will not be accepted.

Curriculum Vitae

Attach a one-page synopsis of your curriculum vitae as a .docx and .pdf file to your application.

Paper

The text of the paper is limited to 12 double-spaced, typed pages of text (not including figures, maps, and references). Font should be no smaller than 12 point and margins should be at least one inch on all sides. Please use the *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* style guide (http://www.aag.org/libraries/cm_journals/ANNALS_STYLE_SHEET_61912.pdf) for all citations, references, and other typographic elements. Papers that do not adhere to these guidelines will be automatically disqualified.

- Attach your paper as a .docx and .pdf file
- File naming: CGSG2017Paper_Masters or PhD_your last name
e.g., CGSG2017Paper_PhD_palmer
- Be sure there is no self-identifying information in your paper as this is a double-blind review.

The winners of the competition will be **contacted on or about 15 March 2017**, and the competition results will be announced at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Boston (5-9 April 2017) during the CGSG Marquee Address and the Business Meeting.

The Student Paper Award recipients are invited to provide a brief update as to how their work has progressed since receiving the paper award for the annual CGSG Spring 2018 Newsletter.

Please address questions or requests for clarification to joni m palmer, Awards Director, at joni.palmer@colorado.edu. For more information, visit the Cultural Geography Specialty Group website at <http://www.kent.edu/stark/cgsg>.