

STUDENT AWARDS FOR RESEARCH ON MINORITIES & WOMEN

“CEPO Student Research Award”

Sponsored by the Committee on Equality of Professional Opportunity

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CEPO is the Committee on Equality and Professional Opportunity. CEPO was developed as a sub-organization within SEPA to highlight research on women and minorities as under-represented groups. This award offers cash awards to both **graduate AND undergraduate students** for outstanding research. The awards for research **MUST be in the areas of women or minorities**. Minorities can include race/ethnicity (e.g., African American, Hispanic, Middle Eastern), sexual orientation (e.g., LGBTQ, asexual), disability, religion (e.g., Muslim, atheist), among others. Examples of acceptable topics include, but are not limited to, the following as are relatable to women and minorities:

- Gender or minority bias in research • Legal/economic topics • Gender or minority identity development • Social & political issues
- Social and relationship topics for gender or minorities • Social activism • Physical and mental health issues • Sex and/or race differences • Bias in assessment/therapy • Educational equity/access • Employment access/equity • Violence or harassment

AWARDS: The following cash awards will be presented at the SEPA convention: **First Place in Women’s Issues - \$250 / First Place in Minority Issues - \$250 / Second Place Overall - \$100**

ELIGIBILITY: Graduate or undergraduate students in psychology or related disciplines are eligible. A student who is not a member of SEPA may submit an application for membership or be sponsored by a SEPA member. If the paper is co-authored by a faculty member, the student must be the first author as described by the APA Publication Manual and be able to present the paper if it is accepted for the award.

SELECTION CRITERIA: Papers will be selected by a four-person review committee using the following criteria: Excellence in research design, relevance, importance, style, and innovation. Your abstract will be reviewed first followed by an invitation for a paper.

SUBMISSION: If you are interested in having your abstract considered for an award, please submit your abstract (through the Electronic Submission System (ESS)). This system is accessible through the SEPA Web site at www.sepaonline.com for dues-paid members. Be sure to select “CEPO Student Research Awards” TO INDICATE YOUR ABSTRACT SHOULD BE JUDGED FOR THE CEPO STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD (Choose “FOR STUDENTS ONLY” option in the ESS). If your abstract is scored favorably then you will be required to submit a full paper at a later deadline.

ONLY PAPERS MEETING THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE REVIEWED:

Please do not submit research proposals; the study must have been completed. You must submit a completed manuscript, 8-10 pages without references) manuscript in APA format (not including title page, references, or tables).

Please do not submit a full-length thesis. Show the title of the paper on the full-length copy, but show no name or institutional affiliation. Make sure not to mention name or institutional affiliation in the text of the manuscript. Papers will be given blind review by the judges, and author information will be available only to the award program chair.

Your advisor will be asked to verify that the work is primarily your work. Papers not selected for awards, but deemed appropriate for SEPA presentation, will automatically be considered for the SEPA program. Further program information can be obtained from the Program Chair listed below. The deadline for this competition is October 8, 2019 at 6:00 PM Eastern Time.

CALL FOR JUDGES: Please consider volunteering to serve as a judge for the Student Research Awards, or nominate a colleague who might be interested in serving as a judge. Judges from underrepresented groups are especially needed. Please contact Dr. Holland if you wish to volunteer.

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