$500 Award for Best Student Papers on Race

Undergraduate, Master's and PhD Level Awards

Submission Deadline for 2016-2017: May 15th, 2017

The Center on Race and Social Problems (CRSP), awards $500 to University of Pittsburgh students who write outstanding papers on contemporary race-related issues.

Awards are given at each academic level: undergraduate, master's, and PhD. Master's thesis and dissertation chapters are not permitted.

In this university-wide competition, CRSP solicits papers in the following seven areas:

- Economic disparity;
- Education disparity;
- Intergroup race relations;
- Youth, families, and the elderly;
- Mental health;
- Criminal justice; and
- Health.

CRSP Student Award Paper Criteria:

1. The paper must have been submitted for a course (including independent study) during Summer 2016, Fall 2016 or Spring 2017.
2. The paper should be 10-25 pages including references; it must be double-spaced and use a 12 point font.
3. The paper must include a right aligned header (with biographic information) and a footer (with centered page numbers).
4. A student or faculty member can submit **one** student paper.
5. Although faculty advising is permitted, the work presented in the paper must be the student's (or student team's) own work. The work presented in the paper must not have been previously published.
6. Master's thesis and dissertation chapters are *not* permitted.

Evaluation Criteria

Papers should address contemporary race-related social problems and will be evaluated on originality, analytic quality, clarity, and relevance to current racial issues. Papers must also be written in clear, concise and coherent Standard Written English and conform to submission standards as follows:

Submission Standards

Papers must be submitted by May 15th, 2017. Submit papers (and any questions about your submission to prm15@pitt.edu *as an attachment to an e-mail* with a subject line reading "2017 Paper Award Submission."

Insert an MS Word header (aligned right) to include biographic data on separate single spaced lines in 9 point font as follows:

1. Title of paper;
2. Student's name, academic level, and degree program;
3. Student's e-mail address;
4. Course instructor's name; and

Insert an MS Word footer in 12 point font:

5. Page number (centered in footer).

It is strongly advised that papers be taken to the Writing Center for a final edit.

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