Asian American Studies 2016-2017 Undergraduate Student Essay Competition

The Asian American Studies Program invites submissions for the most outstanding undergraduate essays and research addressing Asian Pacific American issues. Papers may be written from any disciplinary approach, including (but not limited to): literature, history, sociology, anthropology, education, music, folklore, visual & performing arts, cinema, and journalism.

Essays should not exceed 3000 words in length, including citations. Submissions should be formatted as follows: double-spaced; 1-inch margins; has page numbers; 12-point, standard font; citation style appropriate to disciplinary approach (i.e. MLA, APA, or Chicago). Papers should include a cover letter with the following information: applicant’s name, email address, phone number, undergraduate level, major and minor, and paper title. Email essays in Word or PDF format as attachments to: aasp@indiana.edu.

Entries will be judged on the originality of ideas, persuasiveness, clarity, and elegance of language. Open to all College of Arts and Humanities, Indiana University Bloomington undergraduate students.

Deadline: March 17, 2017, 5:00 pm EST. Prizes: First Place: $250 Second Place: $100
Asian American Studies Program Graduate Student Research Award

This award is sponsored by the Asian American Studies Program (AAST) and is restricted to Indiana University-Bloomington graduate students in the College of Arts and Sciences who are conducting original research or creative project related to Asian American and/or Asian Diaspora Studies. Graduate students may receive up to $500 to cover research expenses, such as travel related to data collection, supplies, transcription, computer software, and other needs that are directly related to the proposed research or creative activity. This research or creative activity must be advised by a faculty member at Indiana University, but cannot be collaborative between faculty and graduate students.

The recipient(s) of the award will be selected by the AAST Graduate Awards Committee. The awardee(s) will write up a report about their research for the AAST website, and may be asked to present their research at the AAST colloquium the following year.

Materials to be submitted for a research award: (1) cover letter; (2) curriculum vitae; (3) statement of proposed research (1000 words max), which should include a description of the research’s theoretical significance, data and methodological approach, preliminary findings (if any), and contributions of your proposed research; (4) research/travel timeline; (5) IRB approval (if required); (6) a detailed budget; and (7) one letter of support from a faculty member.

Application Deadline: Please submit all materials to aasp@indiana.edu by March 17th, 2017, 5:00 pm EST. Award recipients will be notified of the decision in early April. Funds will be deposited to the students’ bursar account.
Asian American Studies Program Graduate Student Travel Award

This award is sponsored by the Asian American Studies Program (AAST) and is open to graduate students in the College of Arts and Sciences at Indiana University-Bloomington presenting a paper on Asian American Studies-related research at a regional, national, or international conference at anytime during the 2016-2017 academic year. Graduate students may receive up to $400 to cover travel expenses to the meetings where they are scheduled to present a paper. The paper can be solo- or co-authored; however, if co-authored with a faculty member, the graduate student must be first author.

The award recipient(s) will be selected by the AAST Graduate Awards Committee. The awardee(s) will need to write up a report about their research for the AAST website.

Materials to be submitted for a travel award: (1) cover letter; (2) curriculum vitae; (3) paper to be presented; (4) conference information, which should include the name, date, and location of the conference, name of the conference organizer, and title and abstract of the presentation; (5) copy of letter of acceptance from session organizer (or email correspondence); (6) detailed budget.

Application Deadline: Please submit all materials (see below) to aasp@indiana.edu by March 17th, 2017, 5:00 pm EST. Award recipients will be notified of the decision in April. Funds will be processed through the IU Travel Management System, and awardees will need to submit receipts for reimbursement.