

The 2012 philosophy of nursing (post)graduate essay prize

Sponsored by the International Philosophy of Nursing Society (IPONS) and *Nursing Philosophy* (the official journal of IPONS), two prizes are available for the best essays on any aspect of philosophy as it relates to nursing or other health or social care practice. The essay should demonstrate philosophical understanding of an area of practice, research or education and should have clear application to one or more of those domains. While essays from (post)graduate coursework are welcome, students are advised to review and, if appropriate, revise such essays to meet both the requirements of the prize and the requirements of publication. Students considering submitting an essay for this prize might find it helpful to refer to earlier winning entries as published in the journal. The essay should be no more than 5000 words (including references) with an abstract of no more than 300 words. The winning essay will be published in *Nursing Philosophy*.

First prize

- A £100 reduction in the fee for the 2012 Philosophy of Nursing conference or books to the value of £150 from the Wiley-Blackwell catalogue
- One year membership of IPONS
- Publication in *Nursing Philosophy*

Second prize

- One year membership of IPONS

Judges

The panel of judges will be chaired by the editor of *Nursing Philosophy* and include the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer of IPONS. Other judges may be appointed as the discretion of the panel. All decisions of the panel are final and not subject to appeal. The panel will reserve the right not to award a prize and no cash alternatives are available.

Submission of essay

Essays must be submitted by e-mail to the editor of Nursing Philosophy at derek.sellman@ualberta.ca no later than 1st May 2012. Please supply the following information in a separate file:

- Title of essay
- Name, e-mail address, fax and telephone number of author
- Title of the (post)graduate course with name and address of institution at which the author is a student.

Results

Results of the prize will be communicated by e-mail to entrants by 25th June 2012. Essays submitted may be considered for suitability as concurrent papers at the 2012 conference at the discretion of the conference organizer.

Further details of the conference can be found on the IPONS website at <http://ipons.dundee.ac.uk>. Questions related to the essay prize should be forwarded to the editor of *Nursing Philosophy*.