



Social Policy & Administration Prize for Early Stage Career Researcher

Social Policy & Administration is pleased to offer a prize for the best published paper in the journal by an Early Stage Career Researcher. The prize will be £500 plus a year's free subscription to Social Policy and Administration. The purpose of the prize is to encourage submissions of papers by Early Stage Career Researchers to Social Policy & Administration.

Eligibility for the prize

At the time of submitting the paper, the author must be EITHER

- 1) engaged in full or part-time postgraduate research, or
- 2) within three years of completing their postgraduate research, or
- 3) within three years of starting their first research or teaching appointment

Papers can either be sole authored, or the entrant must be the lead (ie first-named) author in the case of multi-authored papers.

Procedure

All authors who wish to be considered for the prize should state this at the time of submitting the paper, and state which of the eligibility criteria are relevant.

Award of the Prize

All papers submitted in a calendar year will be eligible for the prize to be awarded in the following year, which will be presented at the Social Policy Association Annual Conference (e.g. all papers submitted in 2007 will be eligible for the award presented at the 2008 SPA Conference). Papers submitted late in the calendar year that may not be accepted in time to be eligible will be held over until the following year (e.g. 2009 SPA Conference). All eligible accepted papers will be read by the Editor and, if necessary, entered onto a shortlist, which will be read by a group of members of the Editorial Board.

To enter please submit your paper to the editor, Martin Powell (M.Powell@bham.ac.uk).