

2018 CIES MESIG Student Paper Prize CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Deadline: January 26, 2018

The Comparative and International Education Society's Middle East Special Interest Group (CIES MESIG) brings together scholars, educators, and development practitioners interested in the study of the region. Through high quality scholarship, dissemination, and service we seek to make knowledge available in order to inform education policy, program design, and pedagogy, and to better relate the region with the rest of the world.

In order to further this mission and facilitate the goals of supporting emerging scholars and promoting quality emergent scholarship, the CIES MESIG is pleased to announce a Call for Papers for the 2018 CIES MESIG Student Paper Prize.

The CIES MESIG invites research papers from graduate students on any topic related to education in the Middle East, North Africa, or in locales with historic or contemporary ties to the region and their peoples. Papers will be reviewed using a blind review process, thus the name(s) of author(s) should not be included on the title page, header, or footer of the paper submission. The deadline for submissions is: **January 26, 2018**.

Guidelines for Submissions

Papers of 5000-8000 words on any topic related to education in the Middle East, North Africa, or in locales with historic or contemporary ties to the region and their peoples, should be submitted to the MESIG at cies.mesig@gmail.com with "2018 Paper Prize" in the subject line. An abstract of 150 words should accompany the submission and appear on the first page. The author(s) names should NOT appear on any page of the submission. Please submit papers as email attachments in Word (.doc or .docx) format. Papers should be double-spaced, with 1- inch margins and pagination. Hard copies will not be considered.

In the body of your email, please submit the following information: author(s) name(s), institutional affiliation(s), email address(es), and the name and full contact information of the student faculty advisor.

Submissions must be received by 11:59 PM on January 26, 2018 (PST) to be considered.

Eligibility

Students must have been registered in a graduate program at a recognized institution during any part of 2016 or 2017. There is no geographic limitation to the location of the institution. In order to receive the award, authors must demonstrate proof of student status.

Students may be of any nationality or citizenship status. Co-authored papers will be considered, provided that all authors fulfill the eligibility requirements.

Review Process and Criteria

Submissions will be evaluated by a committee through a blind review process that will consider the merits of each paper, including originality of the research topic and strength of argument. Other aspects include the statement of thesis, engagement with evidence, theoretical frameworks and methodological approach, discussion of findings and implications. Papers will also be considered for the clarity of writing and potential for publication.

Award

The author(s) of the winning paper will receive recognition at the CIES MESIG Business Meeting at the Annual Meeting of CIES and through the CIES newsletter and MESIG website, in addition to a monetary award of \$300 (to be shared in the case of co-authors).

Questions

Questions may be directed to cies.mesig@gmail.com with the subject line “2018 Paper Prize—Query.”