

# Cultural Geography Specialty Group 2008 Student Paper Competition

## Call for Proposals

The Cultural Geography Specialty Group (CGSG) invites students to apply to the 2008 CGSG Student Paper Competition. The aim of the competition is to recognize outstanding work by graduate and undergraduate students pursuing research in Cultural Geography. The papers are judged individually on the basis of: (1) scholarly merit (quality, rigor, and significance of the argument, findings, and/or methodical approach); and (2) the organization and clarity of the paper. The competition is open to anyone who presents a cultural-geographic paper at a professional meeting between April 22, 2007 and April 19, 2008. The paper need not be presented at the AAG annual meeting but must be developed from graduate research. Entries undergo review by a committee of faculty and student geographers. Award amounts are \$300 for PhD (Jordan-Bychov Paper Award), \$200 for master's, and \$100 for undergraduate. Papers entered in other specialty group competitions remain eligible for a CGSG award. Awards may not be made in years when submissions are not deemed suitable.

Ph.D. students who present a paper based on their M.A. or M.S. research are eligible for the master's competition. Doctors who present a paper based on their Ph.D. work are eligible for the doctoral competition.

The application form, paper, and one-page curriculum vitae must be sent electronically (in Microsoft Word, PDF or Rich Text Format) as an e-mail attachment to Soren Larsen, CGSG Awards Chair at [cpost@uga.edu](mailto:cpost@uga.edu) no later than **January 14, 2008**.

In lieu of an electronic submission, applicants may opt to send **FOUR** hard copies of the application package by regular post to Chris Post, CGSG Awards Committee Chair, Department of Geography, 139 Geography-Geology Building, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602, USA. Phone: (706) 542-7516. The winners of the competition will be contacted on or about March 14, 2008, and the competition results will be announced at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Boston, Massachusetts, in a special CGSG session featuring noted cultural geographer Joseph Wood. Please address questions or requests for clarification to Chris Post via email or phone.

The text of the paper is limited to twelve double-spaced, typed pages of text (i.e., NOT including figures, maps, and references). Do not use a font size less than 12 point and there should be no margins less than one inch on the page. Please use the *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* style guide for all citations, references, and other typographic elements. PAPERS THAT DO NOT ADHERE TO THESE GUIDELINES WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFIED.

# **Cultural Geography Specialty Group 2008 Student Paper Competition Application Instructions**

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**Award Amount:** Varies by level.

**Award Deadline:** January 14, 2008

## **Application Directions:**

- 1.** Complete the Student Paper Competition Application form. The application is also available on the Cultural Geography Specialty Group website (<http://cultural.missouri.edu>).
- 2.** Provide a one-page synopsis of the applicant's curriculum vitae.
- 3.** Attach the paper, limited to 12 double-spaced pages of text (i.e., NOT including figures, maps, and references). Please use 12-point font with margins NO LESS THAN one inch to the edge of the page. Please use the *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* style guide for all citations, references, and other typographic elements. PAPERS THAT DO NOT ADHERE TO THESE GUIDELINES WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFIED.
- 4.** Email all materials as attachments in Rich Text, PDF, or Microsoft Word format to Chris Post at the University of Georgia ([cpost@uga.edu](mailto:cpost@uga.edu)) by January 14, 2008. Alternatively, send FOUR HARD COPIES by regular post to Chris Post, Awards Chair, Department of Geography, 139 Geography-Geology Building, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602. All applications must be received by January 14, 2008.

**The award recipient will be recognized in a special CGSG session at the 2008 AAG Conference in Boston featuring noted cultural geographer Joseph Wood.**

**Cultural Geography Specialty Group**  
**2008 Student Paper Competition Application Form**

(Please Type in the Space Provided)

Name:  Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Phone (day):  (evening):

Institution Affiliation:

Degree Sought:  Department:

Competition Level:

Title of Paper:

Date and place where presented:

Advisor's Name:

Advisor's Email Address:  Phone Number:

Please attach a one-page synopsis of your curriculum vitae.

Please attach your paper (no longer than 12 double-spaced pages excluding references and figures, all text at 12-point font and margins no less than one inch from the edge of the page) in one of the following formats: Microsoft Word, Adobe PDF, or Rich Text Format (RTF).