



Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Student Poster Competition CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Submission Deadline: September 15, 2015

Notification of Acceptance: October 16, 2015

About the Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Poster Competition

This competition was established in memory of Jean Tague-Sutcliffe, professor and former dean of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Western Ontario (now the Faculty of Information and Media Studies). During her thirty-year career, Professor Sutcliffe's research on the measurement of information made significant contributions to the theoretical, methodological, and practical foundations of library and information science. This award, established by students at UWO in 1997, also recognizes Professor Sutcliffe's dedication to the education of information professionals by awarding a certificate, a one-year student annual membership to ALISE, and a \$200 cash prize to the first-place winner.

Eligibility

- Only one submission per student is permitted.
- Only doctoral students who have completed or are near completion of their doctoral dissertation research (i.e., post-proposal; the core data have been analyzed; the student is at the stage of drawing conclusions from the research findings) are eligible to enter this competition.
- Students must not have competed before in previous ALISE Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Poster Competitions. Recent doctoral graduates are eligible to participate in the competition, as long as they have not competed before.
- Students whose posters are accepted must submit a final copy of the poster as a PDF by November 30, 2015. Failure to submit a poster at this time will result in

elimination from the competition.

- Students whose posters are accepted are required to register for and attend the ALISE 2015 Conference in Boston, MA, January 5-8, 2016.

Judging Criteria

Posters will be judged according to the following criteria on a scale of 1-5:

Practical, theoretical, and statistical significance: The discovery has broad application and potential benefit for practice, promotes the understanding of theory or suggests a new theoretical direction, and reports results that are statistically significant or provide a persuasive basis for argument.

Design and method: Research design is logical and appropriate to the problem or research question(s), and method(s) of data collection, and analysis is appropriate, well-described and demonstrates meaningful results.

Oral presentation: Presentations are clear and to-the-point and are no longer than necessary to describe broadly the overall nature of the problem, the design and methodology, the results, and their implications.

Organization, clarity, and aesthetics of visual materials: Posters should be well organized and attractive, understandable without the oral presentation, and coherent with the oral presentation.

Submission Requirements

Submissions should include the following:

- Student's name;
- Student's preferred email address;
- Student's institution;
- The name of student's advisor and his/her email address;
- Dissertation progress (indicate one of the following options):
 - Pre-proposal (dissertation proposal not defended)
 - Post-proposal - Data collection
 - Post-proposal - Preliminary data analysis
 - Post-proposal - Data analysis completed
 - Defended dissertation, If yes when? _____ If employed after Ph.D graduation, where?
- Title of the research study
- 500-word extended abstract (in Word format)

The process of submission will be announced on the ALISE 2016 website during Spring 2015.

Please note: submitting a proposal constitutes your permission for ALISE to publish brief and extended abstracts in the conference program and on the ALISE website, if your proposal is accepted.

Questions?

The 2016 ALISE Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Student Research Poster Competition chairs will be announced soon. In the meantime, please direct any questions regarding the 2016 ALISE Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Student Research Poster Competition to:

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