Pi Sigma Alpha Epsilon Epsilon Chapter
The National Political Science Honor Society

Student Conference on Development

April 29, 2016

Call for Papers

Proposals are now being accepted for the Student Paper Conference on Development, to be held on April 29, 2016 at The University of Texas at El Paso. Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- Political and institutional development
- Socioeconomic development and underdevelopment
- Sustainable development and human security
- Democratization, political instability, and regime change
- Inequalities within and across countries

Deadlines

- Proposal Submission: March 18, 2016
- Paper Submission: April 20, 2016

Competition Guidelines

Papers are judged based on: a) advancement of knowledge; b) appropriateness for understanding contemporary issues in development; c) implementation of valid research design and methodology; d) significance of the topic; e) analysis and discussion of the findings; and f) clarity and cogency of writing. The first-place paper will be awarded $100, the second-place paper, $75, and the third-place paper, $50.

Proposal Submission Requirements

Proposals should be sent to Dustin Orr, Chair of the Pi Sigma Alpha Student Conference Committee at dcorr@miners.utep.edu no later than March 18, 2016. Please indicate “PSA Conference Proposal” in the title (“subject”) of the email. Proposals must clearly indicate the content of the paper and the expected results of your study, and should include an abstract that does not exceed 200 words. Please include in your proposal your name, title of the paper, whether you are a graduate or undergraduate student, e-mail address, and your major.

Paper and Presentation Requirements

The final paper must be submitted by e-mail on or before April 20, 2016. Please e-mail the paper as a Word document to Dustin Orr. Papers cannot exceed 30 pages. All pages must be double-spaced and in 12 pt. font size, with one inch margins on all four sides. If selected for presentation, you will be asked to do a Power Point presentation, which should not exceed 15 minutes. Submitted papers may be posted on the PSA Epsilon Epsilon Chapter website.

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