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Graduate Student Research Award Completion
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Awards Program Outline

This awards program challenges graduate students in nutrition by providing a special oral session in which they compete in presenting their research findings. Abstracts of papers prepared for this competition should be electronically submitted to **EB 2012 by November 8, 2011.**

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicants must be ASN members.
- Applicants must be Graduate Students

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Abstracts to be considered for the **Graduate Student Research Award Completion** must be submitted for programming at the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2012. The abstract submission deadline is November 8, 2011.
- At the time of submission of your abstract, you will be prompted to identify your status. You will need to indicate that you are a GRADUATE STUDENT, submitting your abstract to a "Nutrition" topic category (5XXX-ASN). You will then be able to select from the ASN awards box for either: The Graduate Student Research Award Competition or the Clinical Emerging Leader Award Competition.
- **You may only choose ONE student competition.** The MIRA submission site will prompt you for the remaining eligibility criteria. It will be necessary to include the name, email address, and university affiliation of your sponsor; that you are doing graduate work in nutrition and will not have received a doctoral research degree prior to November 8, 2011.
- In addition, the submission site will ask you to remove all funding information and all other identifying data. Simply stated, your abstract submitted to the competition shall just have a title and the abstract body and nothing else. The rest of the required information will be collected and stored on the site. Again, to be eligible for this

competition abstracts must be submitted to a topic category identified by “Nutrition” in the topic category list.

SUBMISSION EVALUATION:

Select members ASN Nutritional Sciences Council will review the abstracts, without knowing the names of the authors, sponsors, or institutions, and will rate them based on the following criteria:

- Conceptualization of the problem and the experimental design
- Logic and adequacy of methodology and experimental design
- Selection of critical data and elimination of nonessential data
- Organization and clarity of figures and tables and quality of visual aids
- Explanation of methods and results
- Interpretation of data and quality of conclusions drawn therefrom

The committee will select 12 abstracts to be presented twice, once in an oral or poster session (as part of the main EB 2012 programming) and then in the special oral competition session on Saturday afternoon, April 21, 2012.

The 12 finalists will be asked to **electronically submit (to mholt@nutrition.org)** manuscripts (similar to the talks to be presented) **by February 15, 2012.**

AWARDS:

- Each of the five finalists will receive \$750 to defray travel expenses and an engraved certificate.
- The overall winner of the competition, to be decided after Graduate Student Research Award Competition oral session at EB 2012 will receive an additional \$500 cash award supported by the Nutritional Sciences Council Fund.

QUESTIONS:

- Email: mholt@nutrition.org