

# 2016 Student Paper Awards and Travel Grants Announcement

The 2016 Applied Statistics Symposium by the International Chinese Statistical Association (ICSA) will be held on June 12–15, 2016 at Hyatt Regency Downtown Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia. This will be the 25th annual symposium for ICSA.

To encourage student members of ICSA to participate and to share their research at the Symposium, ICSA will offer Student Paper Awards and Travel Grants for outstanding student papers.

**Qualification** The applicant must be an ICSA member at the time of manuscript submission, a doctoral degree candidate in any term during the academic year of 2015-2016 at an accredited institute, and be able to register and present the research work at the 2016 Applied Statics Symposium.

**Manuscript Requirement** Manuscript should be prepared double spaced using Biometrics or JASA guidelines for authors. Excluding tables and figures, the manuscript must be no more than 20 pages, with at least one-inch for all margins and no smaller than 12-point font. The research work must be relevant to application in a variety of fields including biomedicine, finance, business, etc. The manuscript may be co-authored with a faculty advisor and/or a small number of collaborators, but the student must be the leading author.

**Submission of Manuscript** Manuscript should be received no later than March 15, 2016. The submission should include:

- A cover letter;
- A separate title page with author(s), institutional affiliation, mailing address, phone/fax numbers and email address;
- A separate page of abstract;
- A blind copy of the manuscripts without author information or affiliation;

- A copy of the ICSA membership application form for non-members. (Membership application/renew forms can be found from <http://www.icsa.org>.)

All materials should be packaged into one .zip file and sent by email to ICSA Student Award Committee at [yili@med.umich.edu](mailto:yili@med.umich.edu).

**Withdraw and Disqualification** Applicants are free to withdraw their submissions at any time. However, if the same paper is also submitted for other competitions and wins other award(s) before the ICSA announces the winners for the symposium, the author should notify the committee timely and withdraw the paper.

**Review and Selection Process** Members of the Student Award Committee will receive blind manuscripts from the Committee Chair and review them based on the following criteria:

- The manuscript should be well motivated by an application to the specific field(s);
- The methodology developed should be applicable to the motivating problem. Inclusion of an application to a practical study will be favorably considered;
- Organization and clarity of the presentation will be considered as well.

**Awards** Up to eight student award winners (five Student Travel Awards, one Jiann-Ping Hsu Pharmaceutical and Regulatory Sciences Student Paper Award, and two ASA biopharmaceutical Awards) will be selected. Each winner will receive a plaque, an award for travel and registration reimbursement up to \$1000 or a cash award of \$550, whichever is bigger, as well as a free registration for a short course. Winners will be notified around April 30, 2016.

**Student Award Committee Chair** Yi Li, University of Michigan, [yili@med.umich.edu](mailto:yili@med.umich.edu).