



# 2020 Student Paper Competition

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The Midwestern Archaeological Conference Student paper competition was created to promote scholarly excellence among students conducting archaeological research in the Midwestern U.S.

## Eligibility

Anyone currently enrolled in a degree granting institution may apply. Papers must be single authored original work and must be submitted by the competition deadline. The paper presented at the conference must have the same content as the manuscript submitted to the competition review committee. Students must be present at the conference to present the papers themselves.

Awards are decided by the MAC student paper committee based on:

- Quality and clarity of writing
- Intellectual merit
- Methodological execution

## Award

Two prizes are awarded annually, one each to a graduate level and undergraduate level entrant.

The winners receive a **cash prize of \$150 each, plus books** solicited by the conference organizer from willing vendors. In addition, the faculty advisor of the undergraduate winner receives a free MAC membership for one year (only one advisor can be designated per student).

## How to Apply:

Email your paper as a Microsoft Word document, pdf, or provide a link to the file to Dr. Tamira Brennan ([tbrennan@siu.edu](mailto:tbrennan@siu.edu)) by **11:59PM CST on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. The entry must be no more than 10 double spaced pages of text with 12 pt. font. Papers over 10 pages in length will be disqualified. Accompanying figures, tables, and references cited must be placed on separate pages at the end of the paper and will not count toward the 10-page limit.

All submitted manuscripts must include a cover letter with the paper title, abstract, the student's name, and the degree-granting program and their current status in that program. Undergraduates wishing to designate an advisor must also include the name and affiliation of the advisor.

The winners of the Competition will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting of the Midwest Archaeological Conference. The winner(s) will receive their prize(s) the following day. The Committee reserves the prerogative to defer the Competition and award in the event of a shortage of entries.