

Bilingual Education Research Special Interest Group (SIG)
Fifth 2003-2004 Dissertation Award Competition
Call for Applications

This Dissertation Competition is open for recent and in progress graduates, who earned or will earn a Ph. D. or Ed. D. degree between January 2002 and December 2003. The topic of the dissertation should be related to the area of bilingual education research, including work with any language-minority population and either qualitative or quantitative research methodology. The Dissertation Competition Committee will be comprised of 5 researchers representing the broad areas of expertise within bilingual education research, as well as regions across the country. The criteria used for evaluating the applications submitted will center around the quality of the dissertation (rigor of methodology and theoretical and educationally applied contribution to the field), as well as the innovations generated by the research work.

Persons interested should submit documents that conforms to the following criteria: (1) have a **summary** no longer than 5 pages, typed doubled-spaced (submit 6 copies), with no authors' identification (ready for blind review); (2) follows the (American Psychological Association (APA) 4th or 5th editions Publication Manual standards; (3) have a separate **title page** (not counted within the 5 pp. limit) with authors' name, address, institutional affiliation, telephone, and fax numbers, and e-mail address, and names of dissertation committee chair(s) and members; (4) includes a separate **reference** page (not counted within the 5 page limit), with only the references cited in the abstract; and (5) include one self-addressed stamped envelope for receiving feedback of the committee's decision.

Please submit the above documents electronically (as attachments in Word compatible files) to the Chair of the Dissertation Award Competition Committee for the Bilingual Education Research SIG at AERA
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