

2012 Student Honors Paper Competition
Sponsored by the AAG Remote Sensing Specialty Group

Call for Papers

AAG Annual Meeting, February 24-28, 2012, New York, NY.

The Remote Sensing Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers is pleased to announce the 2011-2012 Honors Competition for Student Papers. Students from all academic levels are invited to submit original research on all topics in the field of remote sensing. Research must have been completed within the past academic year, during the author's undergraduate or graduate studies, and can include thesis and dissertation topics. Papers must be written entirely by the applicant; however, thesis and dissertation advisors can be co-authors on the papers. Students selected as finalists will be placed in a special paper session at the Annual Meeting to be held February 24-28, 2012 in New York, NY.

Submission Requirements

Students who are interested should submit electronically (1) extended abstracts, (2) the advisor's form, and (3) a copy of the email receipt received from the AAG online abstract submission process.* Guidelines for the extended abstract and the advisor's form are posted at the RSSG web page (<http://www.aagrsg.org>). The deadline for abstract submission to this competition is **September 21, 2011**, approximately **one week prior** to the final AAG Abstracts Submission date as posted at the AAG website (www.aag.org) to allow non-finalists to be placed in other sessions of their choice. Up to 15 finalists will be chosen.

Awards

First, second, and third place awards will be determined immediately following the competition sessions and awarded at the Awards Luncheon. The prizes are: \$500 for the first place paper, \$250 for second place, and \$150 for third place. An undergraduate award may also be made to an outstanding undergraduate researcher. The Annual Banquet fee will be covered for all winners. The committee reserves the right to not offer such prizes if the papers are not of appropriate quality.

Judging

Papers will be evaluated on content, research design and overall quality. Presentations will be evaluated on the content, visual aids and overall presentation quality. Evaluation will take into account the academic level of the entrants.

Instructions for Submission of Extended Abstracts and Advisor's Form

Submit all materials by email to RSSG Student Director **Sharmistha Swain**. Please use "**2012 AAG-RSSG Student Honors Paper Competition**" as the subject of your email message(s). The advisor's form may be submitted separately. You will not be considered for the competition without submitting this information to the RSSG Student Director by the deadline above.

Contact Person:

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** Before you can submit an extended abstract to the RSSG competition, you must submit a 250-word abstract to the AAG at www.aag.org. Note that the AAG abstract is a different abstract format than the competition extended abstract.*