

DISSERTATION AWARD NOMINATIONS  
NOW BEING ACCEPTED

2016 Lancaster Dissertation Award Competition  
in Social Sciences

**Competition Requirements**

- ⌘ Doctoral degree in Anthropology, Chicana and Chicano Studies, Communications, Counseling, Clinical, and School Psychology, Economics, Education, Environmental Science and Management, Feminist Studies, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology (these are the fields as determined by CGS/UMI).
- ⌘ Dissertation completion must fall in the period of July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2016 (no exceptions).
- ⌘ Three faculty letters of support are required. Each must evaluate the significance and quality of the student's dissertation work. One letter must be from the nominee's dissertation supervisor, another from a member of the nominee's dissertation committee, and the third from a person of the nominee's choice.
- ⌘ A dissertation abstract, not to exceed 10 double-spaced pages. Appendices containing non-textual material, such as charts or tables, may be included. Each page should be numbered and bear the name of the nominee. This abstract may differ from the one submitted as part of the Ph.D. filing process.
- ⌘ A current curriculum vitae.

**Selection Process and Criteria**

- ⌘ A subcommittee of the Graduate Council will review entries.
- ⌘ The winner will be selected based on content of dissertation abstract and letters of recommendation.
- ⌘ Criteria for selection: Impact on field in terms of methodological and substantive contributions.

**The Winner**

- ⌘ A check for \$1,000 and a plaque will be awarded upon completion of entry for national competition.
- ⌘ Recipient will be UC Santa Barbara's nominee for the Council of Graduate Schools/University Microfilms International competition.
- ⌘ Recipient will be a member of the Graduate Division Commencement Ceremony's Platform Party, where they will be presented with their award.

Only Faculty May Nominate Students



**Deadline for the Lancaster Competition**

**⌘ Friday, April 8, 2016 ⌘**

All faculty letters of support and nomination materials  
must be submitted to:

Michele Johnson, Graduate Division

Materials may be emailed to:

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