Announcement of RC11 Emerging Scholar Paper Award for Aging Research

The Executive Committee of Research Committee 11 (Sociology of Aging) of the International Sociological Association announces a competition for a conference participation award for best original research paper by an emerging scholar for presentation at the 2018 World Congress of Sociology 15-21 July, 2018 in Toronto, Canada. Emerging scholars include graduate students currently completing a PhD degree, and recent (five years or less) recipients of a PhD in sociology, or a related discipline, with aging or life course as a focus. Post-doctoral scholars are eligible to apply. Co-authored papers are permitted if the applicant is first author. Published work (equivalent of a ‘paper’ i.e. article or chapter) is acceptable if published in 2017 or later.

**Applicants do not need to be RC11 members, but receipt of the award is conditional on membership i.e. successful applicants are expected to join RC11.**

We anticipate making two awards covering the conference registration fee and reimbursement for travel costs of up to $500. Honorable mention may also be awarded to one or more applicants, covering conference registration fee only. Awardees are expected to attend the conference and present a synopsis of their papers in a special award ceremony at the RC11 business meeting in Toronto in July 2018. Applicants who received an honorable mention may also be invited to present a synopsis at this session.

Papers will be judged according to:

- perceptiveness with which issues are treated
- the quality of empirical materials presented (or, in the case of conceptual/theoretical papers, the quality of theorizing)
- the consistency with which an analytic framework is used
- the originality of ideas
- the clarity of style

**Papers should be submitted by January 15th, 2017 to Professor Merril Silverstein of Syracuse University (merrils@syr.edu).**


Announcement of awardees will be made in late January or beginning of February, 2018.