

# STUDENT PAPER & POSTER COMPETITION

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Middle States Division AAG encourages all graduate and undergraduate students to submit and present research papers to the Student Paper Competition of the MSAAG annual conference. The graduate and undergraduate paper competitions both have a first prize of \$1000 (provided by AAG to fund the awardees' registration and travel costs to the AAG Annual Meeting). The graduate paper second prize is \$300 and the third prize \$150. The undergraduate paper competition has a second prize of \$150 and a third prize of \$150. There is also a Student Poster Competition with graduate and undergraduate divisions with first prizes of \$200, second prizes of \$100 and third prizes of \$50. There is a Rob Mason Poster award for High School students of \$50 named after our past Regional Councilor Dr. Robert Mason from Temple University who passed away in 2017. He served as President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Division as well as Regional Councilor.

Student status is as of May 1, 2021. Please note your status (Graduate/Undergraduate) on your abstract and paper submission. Registration fees are refunded after the conference for students both submitting the completed paper by the deadline AND presenting the paper at the conference. Completed papers must follow the *Middle States Geographer* guidelines and can be no longer than 10 pages, single spaced, 10 point Times Roman font, including all figures, tables, endnotes, and references. Further details on the guidelines are specified at the web site at [msaag.aag.org](https://msaag.aag.org) **Students must have a faculty advisor recommend their entry and use the guidelines and rubrics for judging on the website under the tab Student Competitions.** Students should send paper abstracts of no more than 250 words to President **Nate Gabriel** [nate.gabriel@rutgers.edu](mailto:nate.gabriel@rutgers.edu) by **October 10**, and send electronic copies of completed papers to MSAAG Student Paper and Poster Competition Chair, Hamill Pearsall [hamil.pearsall@temple.edu](mailto:hamil.pearsall@temple.edu) by **October 15**. Send an abstract of your poster to **Nate Gabriel** [nate.gabriel@rutgers.edu](mailto:nate.gabriel@rutgers.edu) by **October 10** and a pdf of your poster to MSAAG Student Paper and Poster Competition Chair, Hamill Pearsall [hamil.pearsall@temple.edu](mailto:hamil.pearsall@temple.edu) by **October 15**. Registration fees are refunded for paper/poster competition **winners**.