

Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society (AFHVS)

2023 STUDENT RESEARCH PAPER AWARDS

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 2023

To encourage participation by undergraduate and graduate students and to recognize scholarly excellence, the AFHVS invites submissions to the **2023 AFHVS Student Research Paper Awards**. Awards will be given in two categories: graduate and undergraduate.

An eligible AFHVS paper in the **graduate student category** must meet the following requirements: 1) be written by one or more students (only papers written by students) *or* be written by a graduate student (the lead author) and community partners; 2) be on a topic related to food or agriculture; 3) employ appropriate research methods and theories; and 4) be an original piece of research. It is expected that the winning graduate student serve on the AFHVS Student Paper Awards Committee the following year.

An eligible AFHVS paper in the **undergraduate student category** must meet the following requirements: 1) be written by one or more students (only papers written by students) *or* be written by an undergraduate student (the lead author) and community partners; 2) be on a topic related to food or agriculture; and 3) employ appropriate research methods and theories.

The Student Paper Awards competition opens when the Call for Papers is issued by the Society. Final versions of the papers must be submitted to the student paper award committee by **11:59 PM Pacific Time on Wednesday, February 15, 2023**. Current graduate students and recent graduates (who received their degrees after May 2022) may submit a paper if it was written while still a student. A paper submitted to the AFHVS paper competition may not also be submitted to the Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) student paper competition. Papers published or accepted for publication at the time of submission are not eligible; however, those under review for the first time are eligible. Papers co-authored with faculty are not acceptable. **Papers should be no longer than 20 pages of double-spaced text in 11- or 12-point font** with one-inch margins (data tables, bibliography, and notes may be additional).

Winners are expected to present their paper at the AFHVS conference within **two years** of winning the award, and a space in a panel is guaranteed. Each award includes:

1. The opportunity to present at this year's or next year's conference;
2. Registration reimbursement for this year's or next year's conference;
3. A ticket to the evening program/banquet event at the conference;
4. Formal recognition at the conference and on the AFHVS website as an award winner;
5. A two-year membership in the Society;
6. \$300 cash prize (US citizens; international students may be eligible for limited conference travel reimbursement)

7. In the case that there are 2 or more student authors, the students may split the cash prize and AFHVS would provide free registration, tickets to the award ceremony, and society membership for up to 2 authors.

The committee may also choose to award honorable mentions, which do not include the monetary items.

Papers submitted to AFHVS should be emailed to Krista Isaacs (spa-chair@afhvs.org) with the following information included in the body of the email:

1. Paper title
2. Full name
3. Full postal address
4. E-mail address
5. Academic affiliation
6. Student status (i.e., undergraduate or graduate)
7. An abstract of the paper
8. A statement that the paper is not published nor accepted for publication and was not also submitted for the ASFS student paper award
9. The name & e-mail address of the faculty member or other academic supervisor who has been asked to verify eligibility.
10. Attached to the e-mail message should be the complete paper in MS Word, PDF, or RTF format.

Evaluation: The AFHVS Student Paper Award Committee will judge contributed papers on the requirements outlined above, relevance to the interests of AFHVS (see details below), and their scholarly excellence, including quality of original research, methods, analytical tools, rhetorical quality, and flow (see detailed rubrics below). The committee will select up to one undergraduate student and one graduate student to receive awards. Notification of awards will be made by **March 15, 2023.**

Opportunity for Publication: Based on the recommendation of the Student Paper Award Committee, the winning graduate student paper may be forwarded to the journal of *Agriculture and Human Values* for review for possible publication. Note that papers submitted for the student paper competition do not have a particular required format. To be submitted for publication, however, papers will need to be formatted as specified by the journal.

Topics of interest to AFHVS: AFHVS is dedicated to an open and free discussion of the values that shape and the structures that underlie current and alternative visions of food and agricultural systems. The Society is most interested in interdisciplinary research that critically examines the values, relationships, conflicts, and contradictions within contemporary agricultural and food systems and that addresses the impact of agricultural and food related institutions, policies, and practices on human populations, the environment, democratic governance, and social equity. Recent award-winning student paper titles include:

- “Food Justice And Farmers’ Networks: An Examination of Coalition Building Among Women Growers Across The Rural-Urban Divide” by Michaela Hoffelmeyer, Penn State University
- “To rescue for human society the native values of rural life: Race, space, and whiteness in the University of California, Berkeley’s Agricultural Complex” by Rosalie Zdzienicka Fanshel, University of California, Berkeley

For more information, please visit the websites below.

- Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society: <https://afhvs.wildapricot.org/>
- Conference: <https://sites.bu.edu/asfs2023/about-the-conference/>
- *Agriculture and Human Values*: <http://link.springer.com/journal/10460>
- Questions: email Krista Isaacs (spa-chair@afhvs.org)

Checklist for paper submissions. Papers not meeting these criteria will not be considered:

BASIC REQUIREMENTS	Y/N/?
1. Sole-authored <i>or</i> co-authored by one or more students <i>or</i> student is lead author and co-authors are community partners with explanation of contributions	
2. Paper must not yet be published or accepted for publication at the time of submission. It can, however, be under review for the first time.	
3. Employs appropriate methods and theories?	
4. Presents original research? (graduate students only)	
5. Approximately 20 pages of text or less? (excluding tables, figures, bibliography)	
6. Double-spaced, with appropriate font (11- to 12-point) and formatting?	
7. Submission (and accompanying email message) includes all required information in Call for Papers?	
8. Document is in Word, PDF, or RTF format?	