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## **John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition Submission Guidelines**

The John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition, sponsored by the ACP Education Foundation, will be held **during the ACP Annual Session at the Grand Hyatt in San Diego on Oct. 7, 2016**. The competition is held to stimulate and acknowledge original research in prosthodontics. The ACP Research Committee strongly encourages all eligible individuals to participate in this program.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Individuals are eligible if they are currently enrolled in a postdoctoral prosthodontic program or have completed such a program in the last three (3) years and are a member, in good standing, of the American College of Prosthodontists. Manuscripts must not have been previously accepted for publication and are eligible for publication in the *Journal of Prosthodontics*.

### **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

Abstracts must be submitted ELECTRONICALLY (email file attachment) by the applicant to the ACP Education Foundation at [LSwanson@prosthodontics.org](mailto:LSwanson@prosthodontics.org) by **May 23, 2016**.

### **ABSTRACT PARAMETERS**

- 1) Abstracts must have a structured form that includes **objectives, methods, results, and conclusions**.
- 2) Abstracts are limited to a maximum of **350 words**. Please verify word number using "Word Count" under the tools section of Word or other word processing program and state the word number at the bottom of the abstract.
- 3) The abstract must be accompanied by an **electronic letter of support** from the research mentor (sent as a separate file attachment with the email submission). **Support letter must include:** a breakdown of the percent effort by the student, research mentor, other project collaborators, and the source of funding. The letter must also include a statement guaranteeing that the manuscript will be submitted for publication in the *Journal of Prosthodontics* if the project is selected as a finalist.
- 4) Please do not identify the institution, the student, or mentor within the text of the abstract.

### **ABSTRACT/MANUSCRIPT REVIEW PROCESS**

- 1) Ten abstracts will be selected as semi-finalists no later than **June 17, 2016**. The ten semi-finalists will be required to submit complete manuscripts (again, electronically)

following the guidelines developed for the *Journal of Prosthodontics* to the ACP Education Foundation no later than **July 25, 2016**.

NOTE: Manuscripts must follow the page limit (10 page maximum), reference formatting, and other constraints for standard submissions to the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. Manuscripts that do not follow these guidelines will be returned without review.

- 2) The ACP Research Committee will review the manuscripts and select six finalists, who will compete at the ACP Annual Session by giving an oral presentation, which will be graded by the ACP Research Committee. The six finalists will be notified no later than **August 10, 2016**.

#### **FACTORS THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED THROUGHOUT THE REVIEW PROCESS**

- 1) Purpose/Hypothesis-driven investigation
- 2) Study design/methodology
- 3) Innovation
- 4) Appropriate statistical analyses
- 5) Basic science or clinical relevance of the study

The six selected finalists will receive: one night hotel stay up to \$250 and U.S. domestic airfare (booked 30 days in advance) up to \$600. Their research will be presented at the Annual Session on Friday, October 7, 2016. Cash awards of **\$1250** for 1st place, **\$750** for 2nd place, and **\$500** for 3rd place will be presented to the finalists at the Resident & New Prosthodontist Reception.

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IN PDF FORMAT TO THE ACPEF AT**

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**By May 23, 2016**

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