Dear Piaget Society Members and Friends:

It is my pleasure to invite all of you who are in the process of completing a dissertation conducted within the Piagetian tradition to apply for the 2019 annual Jean Piaget Society Doctoral Dissertation Prize. If you are mentoring a doctoral candidate working on an eligible dissertation, I invite you to encourage that student to apply for the prize.

The Jean Piaget Society Dissertation Prize consists of $2000, plus meeting registration and reasonable travel expenses. The Prize recipient will present an address based upon her or his dissertation at the 2019 annual meeting of the Jean Piaget Society.

The prize will be given to the submission that best continues the spirit of Piaget—a study grounded in a firm knowledge of, but not limited to, the work of Piaget and Inhelder. As the deed for the award states: “One area of interest concerns issues stemming from Piaget and Inhelder’s late process theory, but the larger mission of the prize is not to look backwards but to promote exciting new discoveries—discoveries that recognize that the study of the development of knowledge begun by Piaget, Inhelder, and their many collaborators is a living, continuing tradition that reverberates in many rich and surprising ways through many disciplines.” Eligible research may involve a historical, epistemological or empirical subject.

In order to apply for the prize, a candidate must submit an application and simultaneously submit a proposal to present their research at the upcoming Jean Piaget society annual meeting. The deadline for submission for the JPS Dissertation prize is the same date as the date of submission of proposals for the annual symposium—December 15, 2018. Evaluation of prize applications proceeds in tandem with evaluation of conference proposals. Because of time constraints, prize applicants must submit to the conference simultaneously and separately. Complete eligibility and submission rules can be found at http://www.piaget.org/awards/

Finalists are chosen blind to author, institution, mentor, gender, ethnicity and country. Winners are verified and chosen from finalists. Applicants are not limited to current members of the Society, but of course, we hope that they take this opportunity to become new and perhaps lifelong members of JPS!

Questions concerning the process should be directed to Brian Cox, chair of the Prize Committee, at brian.d.cox@hofstra.edu.

Best,

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