

## **Master's Research Award**

### **Purpose of the award**

To recognize the excellence of a substantial work of master's-level research and its contribution to the information field.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must have completed their master's thesis in Library and Information Science or a related field in a Canadian higher education institution during the current or last calendar year (e.g., dissertations completed in 2022 or 2023 are eligible for the 2023 award). A CAIS/ACSI membership is not required.

### **Nomination process**

Applicants must submit a document of no more than four (4) pages, including a summary of the research work, which may be a thesis, major research paper, substantial project, or other non-traditional research output; a description of its significance for the information field; and a link to the work. Additionally, applicants must include a letter from a faculty member attesting to its quality and contribution to the information field.

### **Submitting the nomination**

Nomination documents must be submitted as attachments in pdf or word format in a single email to [awards@cais-acsi.ca](mailto:awards@cais-acsi.ca), with the subject line "[Nominee last name] Master's Research Award 2023." The deadline is April 30, 2023, midnight Pacific time. We welcome submissions in English or French.

### **Selection process**

The nominations will be examined by a jury of CAIS members. At the outset of deliberations, jury members shall report any potential conflict of interest related to the nominees and excuse themselves from the selection process if necessary.

### **Selection Criteria**

- Contribution to theory, knowledge, methodology, or application in the information field, broadly considered
- Quality of expression

### **Nature of the award**

The award consists of a certificate to be presented to the winner at the CAIS annual conference, along with a prize of \$500 CAD. The recipient authors shall also be given the opportunity to present the work at the conference.

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