

News from the Association

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Annual Meeting
April 30–May 2

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- *See the 2009 Program*
- *Vote for MPA Officers*
- *Check your dues status and pay dues*
- *Make reservations for the Annual Meeting*

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Thanks! Special thanks to Jeff Stowell at Eastern Illinois University who created our web-pages and has made email communication possible. Thanks also to the students at Anderson University, especially Andrew Thrasher and Nathaniel Boggs, who also helped us update our technology.

Program. The Program Committee, chaired by Catherine Haden, has put together an excellent program this year. Be sure to check out our invited addresses, invited talks, and workshops and symposia. The program book and program highlights are available online

www.midwesternpsych.org/meeting/program.php

Diversity Travel Awards.

Graduate students who are presenting papers may apply for MPA's diversity travel awards. Eligibility is defined as: ethnic and racial minorities, first generation college students, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered students, or students with a physical disability. The award provides stipends for travel of \$100 to five students. Interested students should submit electronically a letter of application, their original 400-word abstract, and a letter of support

from a faculty member to MPA President, Elaine Blakemore (blakemor@ipfw.edu) by April 1. Applicants will be notified about their award status by April 21, and will be recognized in an award ceremony immediately prior to the Presidential Address on Friday, May 1.

Election. This year we are voting online for MPA President-Elect and one Council Member.

Login to cast your vote.

Voting closes April 15, 2009. See the candidate statements at www.midwesternpsych.org/elections/candidates.php

Program Committee

2010 Program Committee. We are seeking candidates for four replacements on the Program Committee. Specializations needed are Clinical, Cognitive, and Social (2 members). For more information, contact the Secretary-Treasurer at mpa@bsu.edu. Robert Weis will serve as the 2010 Program Moderator.

2009 Program Committee. This year's program committee consisted of Catherine Haden, Program Moderator, Dawn Albertson, Rick Bevins, Linda Camras, Laura Carlson, Amanda Diekman, William Graziano, Jay Jackson, William Merriman, Carey Ryan, and Robert Weis. MPA thanks them for their service.

Meeting Information

Registration. Members do **not** pay a registration fee for the MPA meeting. A badge and program will be waiting for members at the Registration Desk. Please encourage undergraduates and nonmembers to register in advance. Cost is \$21 for undergraduates & \$22 for graduate student non members (in advance) and \$25 onsite. Other nonmembers pay \$50. Go to www.midwesternpsych.org/meeting/registration.php

Hotel Reservations. Make your hotel reservations at www.midwesternpsych.org/meeting/hotel.php. You can also call the toll-free number, 1-800-HILTONS (1-800-445-8667) or call the hotel directly at 312-726-7500. Our room rates cannot be guaranteed after April 1, so please make your reservations early.

Airline Partner. For the first time this year, MPA has a discount agreement with American Airlines. For more information see: www.midwesternpsych.org/meeting/discountairfare.php

First Time at MPA? See: www.midwesternpsych.org/meeting/firsttime.php

Other Information

Graduate Student Paper

Awards: MPA presents awards for outstanding papers or posters submitted by graduate students, based on their own work. This year, awards go to Jamie Wilkinson, Laura Motyka Joss, Donald Sacco, Elizabeth Tuminello, and Laura VanderDrift. Congratulations to these students. Awards will be presented just prior to the

Presidential Address on Friday, May 1. You can view past winners here:

www.midwesternpsych.org/meeting/awards.php

Check your dues status! MPA counts on member dues. If your dues are not current, please bring them up to date. See www.midwesternpsych.org/members/login.php

PsycExtra Database: APA invites presenters to submit their final papers/posters to the PsycExtra Database www.apa.org/psycextra/ You will receive an email message after the May meeting inviting you to upload your paper (if you so choose).

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