



INTERNATIONAL ERGONOMICS ASSOCIATION (IEA) K.U. SMITH STUDENT AWARD

The IEA K.U. Smith Student Award honors two deserving students responsible for applications of or contributions to ergonomics/human factors (E/HF) worthy of recognition. The next awards will be presented during the IEA 2009 XVIIth Triennial Congress, scheduled to convene August 9-14, 2009, in Beijing, China.

The Award winners each will receive a cash award of US \$3,000. Depending upon need, an additional stipend for travel to the Congress also may be awarded to the winner(s).

Any student enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution (college, university, technical, or vocational school) worldwide is eligible to apply for the award. All areas of E/HF are eligible for consideration. Examples of applicable projects include an applied E/HF project, a human performance study or analysis, a design project or product, a research project undertaken in the laboratory or field, or a theoretical/conceptual contribution to E/HF.

A student wishing to apply for the award should submit the following documents via email to the IEA Student Award Committee (see contact information below):

- (1) The abstract of a paper that the student has authored, that documents an application of or contribution to E/HF on the part of the student.
- (2) A resume for the student, with the student's name, full address, e-mail and phone numbers, institution enrolled in, experience, list of publications, and a summary of accomplishments and/or contributions related to the field of E/HF. The resume should be limited to 4 pages in length.
- (3) A letter from the student's academic advisor on institutional letterhead certifying the following: (1) that the paper described in the abstract was written by the student applicant; (2) that the student applicant was primarily responsible for the work described in the paper referenced by the abstract, in the case of papers with multiple authors; (3) that the student applicant was enrolled in the academic program at the time that work described in the abstract was carried out; (4) when the work described in the abstract was carried out; (5) that the work described in the abstract was completed after June, 2008; and (6) that the abstract is being submitted for the IEA K.U. Smith Student Award.

Two key provisions pertaining to this award are as follows:

- (1) The research or project described in the paper referenced by the submitted abstract was completed after June, 2008.
- (2) The student applicant was primarily responsible for carrying out the work described in the abstract, in the case of multiple authors for the paper referenced by the abstract.

The IEA Student Award Committee will select the two awardees using a two-stage screening procedure:

- (1) Review of abstracts, resumes, and advisor certifications; and
- (2) Review of full papers.

Student applicants who have successfully passed the first screening stage will be invited by the IEA Student Award Committee to submit full papers for final selection. Two selection criteria will be used to select the two awardees:

- (1) Quality of contribution to E/HF, as documented in the full paper; and
- (2) Other accomplishments in and/or contributions to E/HF, as described in the resume.

Deadlines for the award process are as follows:

- Oct. 6, 2008: Abstracts, resumes and advisor letters must be received by the IEA Student Award Committee. Only email submissions will be accepted.
- Nov. 10, 2008: Applicants eligible for submitting full papers will be notified by this date.
- Jan. 12, 2009: Full papers from eligible applicants must be received by the IEA Student Award Committee by this date. Only email submissions will be accepted.
- Feb. 9, 2009: Applicants informed of results of award evaluation by this date.
- April 1, 2009: Full paper by winners due to IEA 2009 Congress Program Committee by this date (visit <http://www.iea2009.org> for details). (NOTE: The IEA 2009 Congress Program Committee will reserve a slot for the award winners to present their papers. The winners do NOT have to meet the Nov. 1, 2008 deadline for submitting paper abstracts. However, the winners must submit their full papers to the IEA 2009 Congress Program Committee by April 1, 2009.)

Submissions should be sent to the Chair of the IEA Student Award Committee:

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