



**International Colour Association
Internationale Vereinigung für die Farbe
Association Internationale de la Couleur**

AIC Standing Rules

Guidelines for AIC Student Paper Awards

(approved by the 2016-17 and 2018-19 AIC Executive Committees; updated by the 2024-25 AIC Executive Committee)

General

The goal of the AIC Student Paper Awards scheme is to encourage students to present their work at the AIC meetings and to benefit from interaction with the international colour community. Applications must be substantially related to the subject of colour, but may be based in any discipline or mix of disciplines. Both research-based and practice-based work will be considered.

The AIC Student Paper Awards are for undergraduate and postgraduate students only and will run every two years in conjunction with the AIC Midterm Meetings. Accepted abstracts with a student being the first author will be eligible to be considered for the Awards. Only one accepted abstract from the same student first author will be considered. Three prizes, agreed by the AIC Student Paper Awards Panel, will be awarded to students on the basis of the quality of their full papers published in the AIC Proceedings. The top, first runner-up and second runner-up prizes will be awarded with a monetary prize. An extended version of the awarded papers will be published in a special issue of the JAIC. The awards will be announced and presented at the AIC Midterm Meetings.

In addition to the three awarded papers, further three student papers – as honourable mentions – in the same Meeting will be invited to provide an extended version of the full paper for the special issue.

Further enquiries should be addressed to the Chairman of the AIC Student Paper Awards Panel.

Summary

1. One award covering all academic disciplines, substantially related to the subject of colour, every two years in conjunction with the AIC Midterm Meetings.
2. Timetable (incorporates the AIC Midterm Meeting timetable)
 - i. Awards competition entry deadline – consistent with the corresponding AIC Midterm Meeting's abstracts submission deadline (student first author who have two or more abstract submissions should indicate which one is intended for the Awards competition)
 - ii. Eligible abstracts – made available to Chair of Awards Panel soon after notification of abstract acceptance
 - iii. Chair of Awards Panel, Chair of the AIC Study Group for Education and

- immediate Past President of the AIC will identify the disciplines of the eligible abstracts and hence invite appropriate and sufficient number of Panel Members for the review process
- iv. Review process begins soon after the AIC Midterm Meeting's full paper submission deadline
 - v. The six finalists and three awards will be announced and presented at an AIC Midterm Meeting
3. To aid the process the AIC Midterm Meeting organising team will help ensuring the first authors' status is identifiable at the abstracts submission stage. And access of the eligible full papers will be given to the Awards Panel efficiently after the full-paper submission deadline
 4. The six finalists' papers to be published in a special edition of JAIC must be in English
 5. Prizes:
 - i. Conference banquet to be complimentary to the top six
and
 - ii. A financial reward, funded by the AIC, of: €400; €300 and €200 to be awarded, respectively, to the top, first runner-up and second runner-up papers
 6. Chair of Awards Panel: Managing Editor of JAIC

The permanent Panel members will be the current Chair of Awards Panel i.e. the Managing Editor of JAIC, Chair/Co-chair of the AIC Study Group on Education and the Immediate AIC Past President.