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AWARDS, PRIZES AND COMPETITION

18TH ANNUAL COMPETITION: THE CHARLES M. TIEBOUT PRIZE IN REGIONAL SCIENCE

The Western Regional Science Association is proud to announce the 18th Annual Competition for the Charles M. Tiebout Prize in Regional Science. The Tiebout Prize is awarded for the best paper submitted by a full-time graduate student enrolled at an accredited academic institution (currently, or during academic year 2002-2003). To be considered, papers should be in the general discipline of regional science-topics in the fields of regional economics, urban economics, urban/regional planning, geography, and local public finance, are especially encouraged. Papers will be judged by a Reading Committee of former WRSA Presidents, and the decision of the committee (which will be rendered by late November) will be final.

The author of the winning paper must present at the WRSA's 43rd Annual Meeting to be held at the Wailea Marriott, An Outrigger Resort, Maui, Hawaii, during the period of February 25-28, 2004. The winning author will receive \$1,000 to help defray the costs of attending the Meeting. The paper also will be published in the prestigious international quarterly journal The Annals of Regional Science (published by Springer-Verlag) following regular review procedures. Authors of all submitted papers judged by the Program Committee to be worthy of presentation will be invited to deliver them in regular sessions of the Meeting. Small travel awards may also be made to authors of papers judged worthy of designation for "Finalist" status in the competition.

Graduate students wishing to submit papers for the competition should send five (5) hard copies and e-mail as an attachment an electronic copy of the paper as a Word or WordPerfect file in draft or final form to:

> Professor David Plane, Organizer, 43rd Annual Meeting of the WRSA

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Deadline for Submission is (hard copies of papers must reach WRSA by) **October 15**, **2003**. All submissions must include a cover page giving the paper's title, author's full name, address, phone and fax numbers. Please indicate your Department and University affiliation and the name of your primary faculty supervisor. Papers should be double spaced. Only one submission per author and only singly-authored papers will be considered. Please also note that any paper exceeding 50 pages in length will NOT be considered by the Reading Committee.

This prize is awarded in honor of the outstanding contributions to regional science made by Charles M. Tiebout before his untimely death in 1968. In addition to his scholarly achievements, "Charlie" Tiebout brought wit, irreverence, and goodwill to everything he did and everyone he knew. He was particularly good in advising, counseling, and encouraging graduate students: thus, it is fitting that the WRSA's annual prize bearing his name be awarded to the best graduate student paper in regional science.

BENJAMIN H. STEVENS GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP IN REGIONAL SCIENCE

Graduate students enrolled in Ph.D. programs in North America are encouraged to apply for the Benjamin H. Stevens Graduate Fellowship in Regional Science, administered by the North American Regional Science Council of the Regional Science Association International (NARSC-RSAI). The Fellowship is awarded annually for dissertation research in regional science in memory of Dr. Benjamin H. Stevens, an intellectual leader whose selfless devotion to graduate students as teacher, advisor, mentor, and friend had a profound impact on the field.

Eligible students should have completed all degree requirements except for their dissertation



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by the time the Fellowship commences. A requirement of the Fellowship is that the recipient has no duties other than dissertation research during the Fellowship, though the recipient may hold other fellowships concurrently. Applications from students working in any area or any Ph.D. program are welcome as long as their dissertation research addresses a question in regional science.

The Fellowship consists of a stipend of the amount of \$22,500 (U.S.), for a twelve-month period. Applications for the 2004-05 Fellowship should be addressed to the current committee chair, Professor David Boyce (address below), and postmarked by February 16, 2004.

An application consists of five sets of the following materials:

- 1. A curriculum vita of no more than 2 pages in length. 2. A statement in 20 pages or less explaining the questions and issues to be addressed, the approach to be used, and the product expected from the dissertation research. The 20 page limit is inclusive of references but exclusive of tables and figures. This item should be in 12 pt or larger font, double-spaced, with one-inch margins.
- 3. The candidate's graduate transcript. An unofficial copy is acceptable.
- 4. A confidential letter from the dissertation supervisor (plus four copies) sealed in an envelope signed across the seal by the supervisor. The letter should include the supervisor's assessment of the quality and significance of the proposed dissertation research. It must specify the current state of progress toward the candidate's degree and a commitment on the part of the dissertation supervisor to obtain a tuition waiver for the candidate for the academic year of the Fellowship. A condition of the Fellowship is the granting of a tuition waiver for the academic year of the Fellowship by the host institution.

Applications should be mailed to:

Professor David Boyce. 2149 Grey Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201 USA.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to send an e-mail when they post their materials to dboyce@uic.edu . Questions only should be sent via e-mail to: dboyce@uic.edu For information about NARSC, go to: http://www.narsc.org/bapp.html



CONFERENCE NEWS

CALLS FOR PAPERS

43RD ANNUAL MEETING OF WESTERN REGIONAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION.

FEBRUARY 25 - 28, 2004, WAILEA, MAUI, HAWAII

The conference will begin with registration, an opening session, and a reception on Wednesday afternoon, February 25. Paper sessions will be held all-day Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 26, 27, and 28.

Papers on any topic of broad interest to regional science are welcomed. The program committee screens papers for suitability before invitations are sent. Persons interested in organizing special sessions should get in touch with WRSA executive secretary Dave Plane immediately.

Potential topics include: Resource Utilization; Impact Analysis; Regional Modeling; Location of Economic Activity; Housing; Regional & Urban Planning; Environmental Quality; Regional Development; Migration and Demographic Analysis; Transportation; Locational Criteria for Public Services & Facilities; Tourism & Recreation; Local Public Finance; Energy Issues; Regional Science Epistemology & Pedagogy

For consideration by the program committee, please e-mail a file (see details below) or send three (3) hard copies of your paper (in draft or final form) no later than **OCTOBER 15, 2003**. Abstracts are not accepted.

Electronic Paper Submission:

Attach your paper as a Word, WordPerfect, or PDF file to an e-mail message and send to David Plane (plane@u.arizona.edu);

Please, no other word-processing formats; On multiple-authored submissions, indicate which author(s) plan to participate at the conference; Please, one paper presentation per registered participant this year;

Be sure to include your e-mail address with your submission; and

Electronic submission is preferred, although we will continue to accept hard copy; please submit three (3) paper copies to:

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