



The [Political Sociology and Social Movements \(PSSM\) Research Cluster](#) of the Canadian Sociological Association (CSA) is now accepting submissions for the Best Student Paper Award. The paper must be written by a graduate student (MA or PhD) and address a theme or themes broadly related to the subject areas of political sociology and/or social movements. It may be empirical or theoretical in focus. The paper must be presented at CSA's Annual Conference to be considered.

The award recipient will receive a certificate, a "Commit Sociology" t-shirt, and will be recognized at the PSSM's annual business meeting to be held at the upcoming CSA Conference. The recipient will also be highlighted on the CSA's website.

Eligibility Criteria:

Primary Author of Nominated Paper

- Canadian Sociological Association membership in good standing
- MA or PhD student

Nominated Paper Status

- Sole authored or co-authored with another student (MA or PhD)
- Unpublished and not yet approved for publication
- One submission per author

Nominated Paper Length and Language

- Maximum 8,000 words, including notes and references.
- Include an abstract (maximum 250 words)
- Submission must be written in English to be considered for the award.

Submission Instructions

The committee will accept submissions until **April 25, 2025**. Email a PDF copy of the paper along with the following information to PSSM RC co-chair, Omar Faruque (mofaruque71@gmail.com).

The email must include the following:

- Email subject: **2025 PSSM Student Paper Award submission**
- Primary author name, email address, affiliation (academic institution), and educational level (MA, PhD)
- Co-author name(s), email address, affiliation(s), and educational level(s)
- An anonymized version of the paper in a PDF document
- Session in which the paper is being presented at the CSA Conference
- The author(s) are welcome to self-identify as a member of an equity deserving community.