

CSA-SCS Race and Ethnicity Research Cluster
2026 Best Student Paper Award



The [Race and Ethnicity Research Cluster](#) is now accepting submissions for the Best Student Paper Award. Papers should explore themes broadly related to Race, Ethnicity, and Racism. Topics may include, but are not limited to, systemic racism, anti-racism movements, racial discrimination in institutions, intersectionality and race, historical and contemporary racial injustices, racial identity formation, media representations of race, and the global dimensions of racism. Submissions may adopt either an empirical or theoretical approach. **One** recipient will be selected from among all papers submitted if a minimum of two papers have been submitted.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The primary author of the nominated paper must be a CSA member (in good standing)
- The primary author of the nominated paper must be a MA or PhD Student.
- The paper must be solely authored OR co-authored with another student (undergraduate, MA, or PhD).
- The paper must be presented in a session affiliated with the Race and Ethnicity research cluster (either virtual or in-person).
- The nominated paper must be unpublished and not yet approved for publication.
- The nominated paper must be maximum 10,000 words or 40 pages.
- Submissions will be accepted in either English or French.

We will accept submissions by nominators or by self-nomination until the deadline of May 1st, 2026. Email a copy of the paper (in PDF) format along with the information below to ertorers@canisius.edu; and info@jamilahds.com.

- Primary author name, email address, affiliation (academic institution), and student level (Undergraduate, MA, PhD)
- Co-author name(s), affiliation(s), and student level(s)
- Canadian Sociological Association Conference session in which the paper is being presented
- The author(s) are welcome to self-identify as a member of an equity-deserving community