



The [Sociology of Childhood and Youth Research Cluster](#) is accepting submissions to be considered for our Best Student Presentation Award. The presentation must be student-led, address themes related to the sociology of childhood and youth, and may be empirical, theoretical, or methodological in focus.

The CSA is committed to the values and principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, and decolonization (refer to our [Operating Standards and Principles on Equity](#)). We recognize and honour the intersectionality of equity-based identities and therefore invite and encourage the nomination (including self-nomination) of members from marginalized groups, including Indigenous peoples, racialized persons, persons with disabilities, persons who identify as women, and/or 2SLGBTIQ+.

### **Indicate the eligibility criteria**

#### *Primary author of nominated presentation*

- Canadian Sociological Association membership in good standing
- Undergraduate, MA, OR PhD student
- There is a possibility of the award being jointly awarded if a presentation is co-authored by multiple students

#### *Nominated conference presentation*

- Presentation in a Canadian Sociological Association Conference hosted session (either virtual or in-person) with primary sponsorship by the Sociology of Childhood and Youth Research Cluster, indicated by a “SCY” session title.

### **Submission instructions**

Presenters must indicate that they would like their presentations to be considered for this award by May 11, 2026. All students whose presentations are accepted for SCY sessions will be invited to apply with the following information;

- Author name(s), email address(es), affiliation(s) (academic institution), and student level(s) (Undergraduate, MA, PhD)
- Session in which the presentation is presented at the CSA Conference
- Level of contribution to the presentation, defining to what degree it has been led by the student nominee(s)
- Authors will also be invited to submit a brief bio and/or self-identify as a member of an equity deserving community.\*
- No other materials (such as papers or presentation slides) will need to be provided

For questions, please contact Hunter Knight, co-chair of the Sociology of Childhood and Youth Research Cluster, at [hknight6@uwo.ca](mailto:hknight6@uwo.ca)

*\*Equity deserving groups are communities that encounter barriers to equal access, opportunities and resources due to structural disadvantage and discrimination. This marginalization is created by historic, social, political, and environmental barriers based on age, ongoing colonialism, ethnicity, disability, economic status, gender, nationality, race, sexual orientation and transgender status, etc. This information will only be shared with the adjudication committee who will be required to monitor and report on diversity among the nominees and the equitable process used for adjudication in compliance with the Canadian Sociological Association’s Operating Standards and Principles on Equity policy. The data collected will then be archived in aggregate form for ongoing review of the Awards Program nomination and adjudication processes as per the Canadian Sociological Association’s Privacy Policy.*