

MMIRA 2016 Dissertation Award

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The award will be presented at the business meeting during the 2016 MMIRA International Conference in Durham, UK. The awardee is strongly encouraged to attend the conference and make a presentation on the topic of the dissertation. In addition, two other individuals, whose dissertations will receive the second and third places, will receive Honorable Mentions and a waiver of the International Conference registration fee.

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Applications must be addressed to the MMIRA Dissertation Award Committee Chair and emailed to mmira.awards@gmail.com during November 15 – February 15, 2016, preferably as a Word or pdf attachment. Please put “Dissertation Award Application” in the email subject line.

The application must include the following:

- Demographic information including:
 - Contact information (name, email, phone, mailing address)
 - Dissertation title and name of institution, Faculty/Department that the dissertation was completed as a component of PhD and the date of defense/approval
 - Supervisor(s) (name(s), institution/organization, Faculty/Department, email, phone, mailing address).
- Brief description of study including:
 - major dissertation research components (its purpose, research question(s), design, data collection, analysis and integration procedures, key findings, discussion, and implications) (max. 500 words)
 - contribution of this dissertation research to the field of mixed methods and why this dissertation should be considered for this award (max. 200 words)
 - strengths and limitations of the methodological approach and why this dissertation research can be considered of high quality (max. 200 words)
 - significance of findings and the impact of this dissertation research on theory and practice of mixed methods research (max. 200 words).
- Letter of support completed by the primary supervisor/committee chair (or designated alternate) providing an assessment of the applicant’s dissertation research with the focus on:
 - potential of contribution to field of mixed methods
 - strengths and limitations of the study
 - significance of the findings.
- A pdf copy of the dissertation.

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