

CUS Outstanding Professional Publication Award

Amount: To be determined

Eligibility: Competition for the Outstanding Professional Publication Award is open to Alabama Library Association members employed in any Alabama college, university, or special library, and to Association members attending an ALA-accredited library school.

Sponsorship: Research Committee of the College, University, and Special Libraries (CUS) Division, Alabama Library Association.

Criteria: The Outstanding Professional Publication Award is designed to recognize excellent, published research by Alabama librarians. Research supported through this program must relate to college, university, or special libraries. The Committee looks for the following: potential significance of the research to college, university, or special libraries; validity of the methodology and analysis; originality and innovation, and clarity and completeness of the abstract.

Restrictions: Papers submitted for the Outstanding Professional Publication Award must be published in the year before the annual convention.

Procedure: Individuals can submit their work for consideration for the Outstanding Professional Publication Award. Such submissions should initially include a brief abstract of the research project, the place of publication (along with access information) and some brief biographical information. The Research Committee can also nominate candidates for this award and will accordingly review the library literature to identify such candidates. After reviews of the submitted papers, the chair of the CUS Research Committee will notify the author of the winning paper and ask them to present it at the annual convention.

Obligations: Authors whose papers are accepted for the Outstanding Professional Publication Award will be asked to present their research at the CUS Research Forum held in conjunction with the Alabama Library Association annual conference.

Deadline: The deadline for submitting a paper to the Research Committee is normally December 1.

Contact: For further information, contact the Chair of the CUS Research Committee.