

The logo for the British Aphasiology Society, featuring the letters 'B&S' in a stylized yellow font inside a dark blue oval.

British Aphasiology Society

Student Project Prize 2020

Entries are invited for a prize for a student project on acquired aphasia. The prize will be awarded for the project which meets the conditions of entry given below and which, in the opinion of the judges, is the best submitted entry. The British Aphasiology Society reserves the right not to make an award should a project of sufficient merit not be submitted.

The British Aphasiology Society Student Project Prize shall be of the value of £300. The prize will be divided £200 to the winning student and £100 to his/her educational establishment. The academic establishment must spend their portion of the prize money on books or materials which will enhance or promote students' interest in aphasia. Up to two awards of £50 each may be awarded to runners-up on the recommendation of the judges. These awards will be given entirely to the students and not to their educational establishment.

Three judges will be appointed by the committee of the British Aphasiology Society. The decision of the judges will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into in respect of the judgement. Winners of the prize and the runners-up, if any, will be notified by email and their names will be announced at the British Aphasiology Society conference, therapy symposium, and/or in the newsletter, website and social media (with permission).

Conditions of Entry

1. The topic of the project shall be aphasia (acquired neurogenic disorder of language, without restriction of age). A broad interpretation of "aphasia" may be used e.g. the topic may be taken to include language disorder acquired through progressive neurological disease (though not disorders restricted to motor speech production or developmental aphasia). Projects may be of any type in the field of aphasiology i.e. experimental or observational or literature review, and may relate to any aspect of study e.g. from a single case study to a review of epidemiological or service issues.

2. The submission shall be a project or a dissertation submitted as part of the normal examination procedure in the final year of an undergraduate or postgraduate course (Masters level). No further changes should have been made to the project following its submission as part of the final examination. Submissions of projects can only be accepted if they were undertaken in the same or immediately preceding academic year, and have not been altered in any way since submission. The project should be of either first or upper second class standard (or equivalent for taught postgraduate courses).

3. Projects should normally be between 5,000 and 10,000 words in length (word count excluding any appendices of raw data and materials used, but including references). This should be accompanied by an abstract of not more than 150 words (unless this is already included in the project).

4. Submissions should be anonymous for the marker. The student's name and university, (and other details such as module code), should **not** be identifiable on the submitted project document. Particular attention must be paid to Appendices where copies of Information Sheets, Ethics Approvals etc can disclose the institution or student's name. These should be removed. BAS reserve the right to disqualify a Project if it is not suitably anonymised.

5. Confidentiality must be respected at all times. Where applicable, no information should be included which might on its own *or together with other information* enable a client/participants to be identified.

6. Individual institutions may submit more than one piece of work for either prize.

7. Winning students are required to write a short summary of their project for publication in the BAS newsletter no later than 1 month after announcement of the prize winner.

8. The project should be submitted **electronically by Friday 24th July 2020 to prizes@bas.org.uk**

9. The supervisor of the student entrant's project must complete the according part of the student project prize application form (overleaf) and sign it off. The form can then be emailed to the BAS Student Prize Co-ordinator by the supervisor or the student.

10. The British Aphasiology Society reserves the right to keep the electronic copies of all prize winning or award winning projects, and to display it on appropriate occasions. British Aphasiology Society members will also be able to borrow a copy of the prize winning project for limited periods. This will not constitute publication, and prize winners will be expected to seek publication of their research where appropriate in academic journals in the usual way.

PLEASE NOTE: LATE ENTRIES OR ENTRIES NOT PRESENTED IN THE PRESCRIBED FORM WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR JUDGEMENT

Good luck to all entrants!

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Student Project Prize Application Form (2020)

Student details	
Name of student:	
Student address for correspondence (including postcode):	
Telephone number:	Email address:
Course being undertaken:	Year of course:
Education establishment:	Full or part time:
Mailing address of education establishment (including postcode):	
Project and supervision details	
Title of project:	
Name of supervisor/s:	Date project written:
To be completed by supervisor	
How much of the data used in the project (if applicable) was collected by the student? (i.e., was the data from an existing corpus or did the student collect it themselves?)	
How much assistance did you provide as a supervisor e.g. with statistical analysis?	
I confirm that this student undertook the submitted project as part of his/her (undergraduate/postgraduate) course during the academic year..... <i>(please specify)</i> and that this project is original work by the student.	
Signed (Project supervisor):	Date:

Please return this form with your entry by 24th July 2020 to: prizes@bas.org.uk