

Call for Award Nominations ACCS, NCA

The Association for Chinese Communication Studies (ACCS) invites nominations for the following awards to be given at the division business meeting at the 2017 NCA convention in Dallas, Texas:

Outstanding Thesis/Dissertation Award; Early Career Award

The deadline for nominations for all awards is **Wednesday, May 31, 2017**. Nomination materials should be sent (in pdf format) via email to Dr. Bo Feng (bfeng@ucdavis.edu) with the subject line "ACCS 2017 Award Nomination."

Outstanding Thesis/Dissertation Award

This award honors the most outstanding MA thesis/dissertation related to Chinese communication studies completed in the prior two-year period. To be eligible for the award given in 2017, the nominee must a) be a current ACCS member (to join or renew membership, go to <http://www.chinesecommunicationstudies.com/membership.html>), and b) have successfully defended and deposited his/her thesis between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2016.

The selection committee/research committee will judge the thesis/dissertation based upon the quality of the scholarship, including its conceptual or theoretical foundation, methodological rigor, originality and creativity, substantive contribution, and potential impact in the field. The award will be presented annually at the ACCS business meeting at the NCA convention.

The following materials are required for nomination: (a) a nomination letter, which may come from the advisor of the thesis/dissertation, a member of the student's committee, or a professional colleague and must contain full contact information for the nominator including name, phone number, mailing address, and email address; (b) full contact information for the nominee and proof of completion of the thesis/dissertation along with the defense date; (c) a one-page abstract of the thesis/dissertation; and (d) a representative chapter, selected sections of the thesis/dissertation, OR a paper distilling it, up to 30 (double-spaced) pages maximum, excluding references, tables, and figures. A nomination for this award does not preclude the thesis/dissertation from being nominated for awards in other divisions.

Early Career Award

This award honors a scholar who is still in the early part of his/her career yet who has already played an important role in contributing to the area of Chinese communication studies. To be eligible for this award, the scholar must be no more than eight years past receipt of his/her Ph.D. (that is, to be eligible for the award given in 2017, the scholar must have received the Ph.D. after January 1, 2009). This person must also be a member of the ACCS at the time of the nomination (to join or renew membership, go to <http://www.chinesecommunicationstudies.com/membership.html>). The scholar's body of work must contribute significantly to the knowledge of Chinese communication, intercultural or international communication involving Chinese culture, broadly defined, and must show promise for continued contribution. The selection committee will judge a scholar's contribution and promise based on productivity and the strength of the published work, including its theoretical or conceptual foundation, originality, methodological rigor, and impact. The award will be presented annually at the ACCS business meeting at the NCA convention.

The following materials are required for the nomination: (A) one nomination letter (self-nominations are encouraged), (B) a copy of the nominee's vita, and (C) three representative samples from the nominee's body of work.