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Graduate Student Paper Prize 2025

The Association of Middle East Children and Youth Studies invites nominations for the 2025 AMECYS Graduate Student Paper Prize

AMECYS is a private, non-profit, international association for scholars with an interest in the study of children and youth in the Middle East, North Africa and their diasporic communities. Through interdisciplinary programs, publications, and services, AMECYS promotes innovative scholarship, facilitates global academic exchange, and enhances public understanding about and by Middle Eastern and North African children and youth in diverse times and places from any disciplinary and methodological approach.

The **AMECYS Graduate Student paper Prize** was established in 2018 to recognize an outstanding graduate contribution to the study of children and youth in the Middle East, North Africa and their diasporic communities.

Requirements and Deadline for Submission:

1. Papers must not have yet been published or submitted for publication.
2. Papers may constitute stand-alone articles or book chapters, and may be at a stage of being readied for journal, monograph, or edited book publication.
3. While no exact word limit is required, papers reasonably exceeding standard article or book chapter counts (e.g., up to 10,000) will not be reviewed.
4. Standard font style and size, Double-spaced, 1" margins, footnotes according to any accepted academic style, and [IJMES standards](#) for transliteration.
5. The author or authors must be an AMECYS member in good standing, and may be students anywhere around the world.
6. Papers by more than one author are acceptable only if all authors are graduate students at the time of writing said papers.
7. Proof of registered graduate student enrollment for the 2024-2025 academic year may be requested at a later date.
8. Submissions must be received by the deadline of **August 1, 12:00 PM EST**. Submission components include a copy of the paper, all author's names, name and location of university where enrolled, year in program, and expected date of graduation. All components should be sent as a single pdf or word doc to amecystudies@gmail.com with "Graduate Student Paper Prize" listed in the subject heading.

Acknowledgment of receipt will be made via email.

The winner of the prize will be honored with a cash prize of \$100 and a certificate of award at the 58th Middle East Studies Association (MESA) of North America's annual meeting in Washington,

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D.C., November 22-25, 2025. In the event of multiple authors or co-winners, prize money will be divided evenly among the winners.

In the event of no worthy submissions, AMECYS reserves the right to not hand out any prize.

Reviewers:

1. **Reda Rafei**, Department of History, Texas Tech University
2. **Melis Sulos**, Doctoral Student in History at The Graduate Center, CUNY
3. **Nour al-Brzawi**, 2023 winner of AMECYS graduate student paper prize award