BASHH Undergraduate Prizes Regulations

Two prizes to be called BASHH Undergraduate Research Prize (£200) and BASHH Undergraduate Clinical Prize (£200) will be awarded annually by BASHH (provided an entry of a suitable standard is received). Entries for these prizes will take the form of a report written in English. This should consist of a formal report describing the background, methods, results and discussion appropriate to the chosen subject.

The **BASHH Undergraduate Research Prize** is for original qualitative or quantitative research

The **BASHH Undergraduate Clinical Prize** is for clinical audit, service evaluation, systematic reviews, and literature reviews or case reports.

**Eligibility:**

The report should be their own written work by an individual entrant who should be an undergraduate in medicine or any other subject at a University within the UK. Entries must be submitted within 12 months of graduation.

Rep**ort Subject:**

Entrants may choose any subject related to the work of the specialty (genitourinary medicine / integrated sexual health), sexually transmitted infection, or HIV infection. The subject of the report must be approved by the supervising Consultant/Associate Specialist who is a member of BASHH.

**Word Count:**

The main report should not exceed 2,000 words. Authors are expected to reference their text; citations within the body of the text should be included in the total word count. Text in tables and figures (if required), and in the reference section are allowed in addition to the total word count. However, tables and figures should only be used to enhance the text and to provide information which cannot be otherwise described.

**Confirmation of Fulfillment of Prize Conditions:**

The **supervising Consultant/Associate Specialist** should be a **member of BASHH** and confirm that the conditions of the prize have been fulfilled by means of a statement which must accompany the entry at the time of submission. This statement should describe the primary role of the entrant in the project. The names of any collaborators should be clearly stated with a description of their contributions to the work.

**Format of submission:**

Please submit an electronic version of your report prior to the closing deadline. Typed entries should be double spaced and single-sided on A4 paper and unbound for the purposes of photocopying. Entries should be accompanied by a covering letter (template here) and supervisor’s statement (see above), at the time of submission.

**Email address**: [admin@bashh.org](mailto:admin@bashh.org)

**Postal address**: BASHH, c/o Executive Business Support, City Wharf, Davidson Road, Lichfield, Staffordshire, WS14 9DZ.

**Judging:**

The process will be overseen by the Chair/Secretary of the BASHH Education

Committee. Entries will be subject to review by at least two judges and the overall prize winner in each category decided by a hanging committee made up of members of the BASHH Education Committee.

The BASHH education committee and their designated representatives reserve the right to change the original category of entry, if they deem that the work is better suited to the alternative prize category.

Late entries and entries received without a covering later and/or supervisor’s statement will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances. Late entries may have marks deducted in fairness to other entrants who have submitted their work on time.

**Award of Prizes:**

The winners may be invited to attend the summer BASHH scientific meeting to receive their prize. This usually occurs in June.

All entrants may ask an appropriate journal to consider an entry for publication.

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