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Michael Curro Student Paper Award Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for
The Michael Curro Student Paper Award

Nominations are due July 1, 2022

Graduate students who have written outstanding papers in the field as part of a course, independent study, or other faculty supervised projects are eligible. The paper must be nominated by a faculty supervisor and must have been written between June 2021 and June 2022. The paper may not have been previously presented at a professional conference. Papers written by more than one student are not eligible. The papers can represent a variety of formats and topics within the broader interests of ABFM. In the past, papers have included traditional research efforts, critical literature comparisons, or analyses of financial documents. The topics have ranged across the discipline to include papers on federal budgeting, local government financing, state revenue sources, capital planning, trends in debt issuance, financial and accounting practices, and financing of specific policy functions.

Papers will be evaluated according to general criteria: contribution to the field, the appropriateness of the methodology, the quality of the research analysis, clarity of writing, logic of presentation, and originality and creativity. Faculty members responsible for nominating students should send a letter of nomination that includes the student's name, the degree the student is pursuing, the school name, when the paper was written, and the thesis or purpose of the paper. If the paper was written for a class, please include the name of the course and when the course was offered. If the paper was part of the student's extracurricular duties, please describe these duties. A financial award and commemorative plaque will be presented to the winner. Conference registration will also be waived for the winner.

Nomination letters and copies of student papers should be sent as e-mail (.doc file or PDF) attachments by July 1, 2022, to Michelle Lofton at mlofton@uga.edu.