

THE BIOMETRICS SECTION OF  
THE AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION

**DAVID P. BYAR  
YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD**

**APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR 2016 BYAR YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD  
AND BIOMETRICS SECTION TRAVEL AWARDS**

Applications for the 2016 David P. Byar Young Investigator Award are invited. This annual award is given to a young investigator for a paper to be presented at the JSM. The award commemorates the late David Byar, a biostatistician who made significant contributions to the development and application of statistical methods and was esteemed as an exceptional mentor during his career at the National Cancer Institute. The winner will receive a \$2,000 cash award.

In addition to the Byar Award, the Section will provide \$1000 travel awards to the authors of other outstanding papers that are submitted to the competition.

All applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Have held a doctorate in statistics, biostatistics or a related quantitative field for three years or less as of April 1 of the current year, or be currently enrolled as a student in a doctoral program in statistics or biostatistics and in active pursuit of a doctoral degree.
- Be a current member of the Biometrics Section (applicant may join at the time of submission for a \$5 annual membership fee [\$3 for students]). Please note that membership in ASA does not automatically confer Section membership; ASA members must join individual sections in addition to their generic membership.
- Be first author of the paper. The paper may be unsubmitted, submitted or under review, but may not have already appeared in a journal either on-line or in print at the time of the application or have been accepted for publication as of **December 1, 2015**.
- Be scheduled to present the same paper submitted for the Award at the 2016 Joint Statistical Meetings in Chicago, Illinois as either a talk or poster.
- Not have submitted the paper to any other ASA section 2016 student/young investigator award competition.
- Not be a previous Byar award or Biometrics Section travel award winner.

Applicants must submit their JSM abstracts to the Biometrics Section, which will organize a series of Topic Contributed sessions to highlight the Byar award and travel award winners.

Applicants should complete their application by submitting the following materials:

- Current CV.
- One page cover letter that summarizes the paper's content and contribution.

- One copy of the paper
- 3-5 key words describing paper topic areas

The paper should be a maximum of 25 double-spaced pages (with max of 25 lines per page) including abstract, references and appendices but not including tables and figures. Papers that are not within these restrictions will not be considered for an award.

All materials must be submitted **electronically** on or before **December 1, 2015** using the electronic submission website:

<https://redcap.ccf.org/redcap/surveys/?s=yQc4CMb8mu>

Questions should be sent to the Biometrics Section 2015 Chair, **Diana Miglioretti**, at [dmiglioretti@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dmiglioretti@ucdavis.edu)

The 2016 Awards Committee is composed of the 2016 current and past Section Chairs and Chair-Elect as well as other additional persons.

For the 2016 competition, the winners of the Byar Award and travel awards will be announced by **January 15, 2016**. Award winners should contact the 2016 Section JSM Program Chair, Dipankar Bandyopadhyay at [dbandyop@umn.edu](mailto:dbandyop@umn.edu) and submit a Topic Contributed abstract for JSM 2016.

Information regarding this award is also available on the Section webpage, easily accessed by clicking on the "Section" tab at the top of the ASA website ([www.amstat.org](http://www.amstat.org)).