

## **GAPS Dissertation Award**

The GAPS (formerly ASNEL) Dissertation Award is granted once every two years and recognizes an outstanding doctoral thesis that advances and expands in an exceptional manner the analytical and/or theoretical approach to the Anglophone literatures around the world, to the study of the varieties of the English, or to other postcolonial cultural forms, practices, and media.

The award is endowed with € 2,000 and can be allocated to several doctoral theses. The prize will be awarded for the second time at the annual convention of GAPS in May 2016. In addition to the monetary prize, the award includes paid expenses for travel to the conference (via train, economy class), hotel accommodation for the night of the award ceremony, and conference fee for the annual GAPS conference.

### **Who can nominate candidates for the award?**

Doctoral advisor who are members of GAPS can nominate candidates for the award. Submissions by the candidates themselves are also possible, provided that they are themselves members of GAPS. Eligible for submission are excellent dissertations in the field of Anglophone postcolonial studies that were completed in the years 2014 and 2015 (decisive is the date of the last doctoral examination). The entry deadline for nominations is the December 1, 2015. Dissertation projects completed between December 1 and December 31, 2015 can be nominated belatedly until January 4, 2016 by submitting all necessary documents.

### **How does the nomination process work?**

Nominations will be addressed to the GAPS board of directors who will transfer them to the respective jury-members. A nomination includes:

- a. a copy of the doctoral thesis and a copy of the Ph.D. certificate or a confirmation of the completion of the doctoral examinations from the dean's office,
- b. an academic c.v. of the nominee together with a list of publications,
- c. the advisors' reports,
- d. a short summary of the doctoral thesis in English (1,000 words).

All documents should be submitted in electronic form (CD or email-attachment) as well as in printed form, starting October 1st, 2015, to

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