

2019 ELDAAG CALL FOR ABSTRACTS!

Join us at Saginaw Valley State University on October 10-11, 2019!

The Department of Geography at **Saginaw Valley State University** will host the 2019 Annual Meeting of the **East Lakes Division of the American Association of Geographers** on October 10-11, 2019 on its campus near Saginaw, Michigan. Events include a welcome reception and optional field trip Thursday, and an Urban Redevelopment Panel plenary panel Friday!

Information on the meeting including registration, field trips, and the various student presentation awards and travel grants can be found at: www.ELDAAG2019.weebly.com.

Abstract submissions are due **September 12**. Registration and abstract submission can be completed using Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/east-lakes-aag-meeting-2019-registration-57830552740> Please register as early as possible so that an accurate headcount can be taken for the Thursday reception and Friday luncheon.

NOTE: Following the new AAG guidelines, each paper presentation will be 15 minutes total (10 minutes + 5 minutes for questions). This is a change from the previous length, which was 20 minutes total.

Please share the following ELDAAG Meeting opportunities with faculty and students in your departments!

- **Travel grants to ELDAAG are available for students.** To be eligible for an ELDAAG travel grant, students must register and must present a paper or poster. Awards are contingent upon departments providing some level of additional support. Departments interested in applying for these funds should contact Rick Sambrook, ELDAAG Secretary-Treasurer (rsambroo@emich.edu) in advance of the meeting.
- **ELDAAG Student Presentation Competition.** All students presenting papers or posters are automatically entered into the competition when they register as a student. There will be 1st 2nd and 3rd place cash awards for PhD, MA and BA/BS students.

ATTENTION! Faculty judges are needed for this competition! Please contact Rick Sambrook, ELDAAG Secretary-Treasurer (rsambroo@emich.edu).

- **AAG Council Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Paper at a Regional Meeting.** Designed to encourage graduate student participation at AAG Regional Division meetings, it also supports their attendance at AAG Annual Meetings. The awardee will receive \$1,000 from ELDAAG for use towards their registration and travel costs to the April 2020 AAG Annual Meeting in Denver, CO.

NOTE: Graduate students interested in submitting a paper, please contact Karen D. Johnson-Webb, ELDAAG Regional Councilor for instructions about how papers are to be formatted, etc.

Papers must be submitted before the ELDAAG meeting and presented at the ELDAAG meeting. The deadline for submission of papers is **Friday, October 4, 2019 at 5 pm**. Please submit by email to Karen D. Johnson-Webb (kdjohn@bgsu.edu).

Click the link for more information about this award:

http://www.aag.org/cs/AAG_Council_Award_for_Outstanding_Graduate_Student_Paper_at_a_Regional_Meeting

- **ELDAAG World Geography Bowl Team Selection** will take place at the ELDAAG meeting. Tryouts will be held on Friday, October 10 at 3:30 pm. We encourage all students attending ELDAAG to try out for the team. The 2020 World Geography Bowl will be held at the 2020 AAG Meeting in Denver, CO in April.