CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
Society for Social Work and Research
2023 EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH AWARD for Best Scholarly Contribution Published

The Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Excellence in Research Award for best scholarly contribution was established to develop a formal mechanism to recognize outstanding social work research that advances knowledge with direct applications to practice, policy, and the resolution of social issues. The intent of the Excellence in Research Award is to recognize original scholarly contributions to the peer-reviewed research literature in a given year.

Nominated articles must meet all of the following eligibility criteria:

1. Eligible articles must have appeared in print during the 2021 calendar year. The outlet may have been a disciplinary social work journal, an interdisciplinary journal, or a journal affiliated with another discipline (e.g., psychiatry, psychology, public health, etc.).
2. The first author of the article must possess a graduate professional social work or social welfare degree (MSW, PhD/DSW), be a current or former faculty or staff member in a social work program, be a student in a professional social work degree program, or be a regular, student or emeritus member of the Society for Social Work and Research.
3. The article must report the design, conduct, and results of a qualitative or quantitative study clearly related to social work practice, policy, or the resolution of social problems.

The award selection criteria include:

- Significance of the problem being addressed, particularly to oppressed, disenfranchised, or marginalized populations;
- Rigorous use of theory and literature;
- Rigorous or innovative research design;
- Quality, skill, and/or innovation of data analysis and interpretation;
- Direct application to social work;
- Rigorous and anti-oppressive attunement to processes and lived conditions related to gender and gender presentation, race/ethnicity, culture, sexuality, class/caste, and/or ability (among others) as relevant to one's substantive area.

Only SSWR members may submit nominations. The SSWR Board has set a policy that no sitting member of the Board may be nominated for this award. Nominators may only nominate one nominee for this award. Self-nominations are encouraged.

The first author award recipient will be honored at the Awards Ceremony at the 2023 SSWR conference, January 11-15, 2023, in Phoenix, AZ.

Please provide a copy of the nominated article and a brief letter stating the reasons for your nomination. Electronic submissions are required.

All nominations must be received by July 25, 2022.

Nomination materials should be sent to:
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