Call for Entries

Holdstock-Piachaud Student Essay Prize 2012

“Do health professionals have a meaningful contribution to make to conflict resolution and longer-term peace-building processes, and if so how? You may use examples from any current or recent conflicts to illustrate your answer.”

This prize is open to students from all backgrounds. Word limit is 2500 words. The prize will be awarded for the essay that provides the most effective analysis of the question and the most persuasive evidence, for or against.

Three prizes:
£300, £200 & £100

All entries must be received by Wednesday 31st October 2012

For an entry form and more information e-mail MCS.Prize@googlemail.com

Please go to http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/mcs for a free online copy of Medicine, Conflict and Survival, organizers of the competition.
The Holdstock-Piachaud Prize

This is the third year of the Holdstock-Piachaud Prize which was set up to encourage students to learn about themes covered by *Medicine, Conflict and Survival*. Douglas Holdstock and Jack Piachaud were editors of the Journal and inspired many readers.

*Medicine, Conflict and Survival* is an international journal for all those interested in health aspects of violence and human rights. It was founded in 1985 and is published quarterly by Taylor and Francis. The Journal plays an important role in debates around health, peace and violence.

**It covers:**
- The causes and consequences of war and group violence.
- The health and environmental effects of war and preparations for war, especially from nuclear, radiological, chemical and biological weapons of mass destruction.
- The influence of war and preparations for war on health and welfare services and the distribution of global resources.
- The abuse of human rights, its occurrence, causes and consequences.
- The ethical responsibility of health professionals in relation to war, social violence and human rights abuses.
- Non-violent methods of conflict resolution.
- Medical and humanitarian aid in conflict situations.
- Relationships between the environment, development and global security.
- The roles and responsibilities of governments and of international governance in reducing the risk of violent conflict.

**The competition:**

The competition is open to all students, including those completing their studies in 2012.

**The essay topic is:**

“*Do health professionals have a meaningful contribution to make to conflict resolution and longer term peace-building processes, and if so how? You may use examples from any current or recent conflicts to illustrate your answer.*”

- Your essay should take the existing scholarly literature on health, conflict and peace into account and advance an analysis of the specific issue or issues you consider to be most important.
- The prize will be awarded for the essay that provides the most effective analysis of the question and the most persuasive evidence, for or against.
- The word limit is 2500.
- The essays will be judged by members of the MCS editorial Board.
- First prize is £300, Second Prize is £200, Third Prize is £100
- All winners will receive a year’s subscription to MCS.
- The winning entry may be published in MCS.
- Entries must not have been previously published elsewhere.
- The deadline for entries is 31st October 2011.
- E-mail your essay in Word format with the entry form below to: 
  MCS.Prize@googlemail.com
ENTRY FORM
Holdstock-Piachaud Student Essay Prize 2012

Name ____________________________________________
Address __________________________________________
DOB ____________________________________________
E-mail address _____________________________________
Preferred contact number _____________________________
Subject studied _____________________________________
Date course commenced ______________________________
Date course ends ___________________________________

(please note students who are completing their studies in the year 2012 may also enter the prize)

University/Other institution ___________________________

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