



AASA Education Prize for Early Career Academics 2019

Under the AASA's pedagogy portfolio, we open an opportunity for academic staff at AASA member universities to gain recognition through a peer-reviewed competition that will evaluate work in design studio pedagogy, non-traditional research, and traditional research outputs.

Objectives

- Promote the work taking place at member programs through an open forum for dissemination and exchange that highlights different approaches to architectural education and research.
- Support early career academics by providing an esteem opportunity and measurable output
- Demonstrate to a wider community the work of AASA programs and articulate the value of architectural education and research.
- Provide an opportunity for exchange of ideas and approaches between institutions.

Prize Framework

- On an annual basis, the Education Prize will foreground one of three areas of contribution to the discipline: design studio (2019), NTROs (2020), and traditional research (2021).
- \$5000 of AASA budget is allocated annually to support the prize.
- Up to 5 prize finalists each year will receive \$1000 each from this fund as their award.
- The \$1000 prize is to subsidize travel for finalists to the AASA annual general meeting where the work will be exhibited and discussed in a public deliberation. Prize winners will present the studio work to attendees.
- The work of prize winners will be further displayed and archived on the AASA website, and disseminated through the AASA newsletter and press release to relevant industry publications.

Staff Eligibility

- Academic staff who are full time or fractional may apply, but must be at Level A or B. If sessional, academic staff are eligible if within 5 years of commencing their teaching activity.
- Only 1 entry per university. Entries must be endorsed and supported by the Head of School, including commitment to provide supplementary support for AGM attendance if their staff member is an awarded finalist and costs exceed the award.

2019 Education Prize Call for Submissions

- Research through Design Studio
- Submissions that demonstrate the articulation of a research question and contribution to disciplinary or broader knowledge via the studio work.
- Submissions shall include a maximum 500-word description and visual examples of student work produced during the studio.
- Studios that concluded after 1 July 2018 and before 1 July 2019 are eligible

Evaluation Criteria (2019)

- Studio output is clear, coherent, and of exceptional quality
- Questions posed by the studio address issues of significance and relevance to the discipline and wider community
- Studio demonstrates an innovative approach to curriculum design
- The approach to “Research through Design Studio” is clearly articulated

Jury

- The jury is composed of 2 senior academics from AASA member programs, 1 AASA executive committee member, and 1 at-large member. Jury nominated by the AASA executive committee and appointed annually.
- Conflicts of interest held by jury members shall be declared where required.

Timelines and Procedure

- Call for submissions announced: 1 July 2019
- Deadline for submissions: 2 August 2019 midnight AEDT
- Jury convenes and successful awardees contacted by 16 August 2019
- Prize funding disbursed to the member institutions by 1 September 2019
- Exhibition at local venue (to be confirmed), Auckland: 30 September to 4 October 2019
- Exhibition opening and moderated presentation/discussion with all prize winners and AASA AGM delegates (including public invitation to attend) on 1 October 2019 @ 6pm

Submission Details

- PDF files 20MB limit, 20 pages, landscape
- Content of submission shall not include identifying information of the academic staff member or his/her institution to allow for objective jury review.
- Include contact details of the applicant in the body of the email when submitting (academic name, institution name, phone contact, email address)
- Electronic submissions should be forwarded by the due date to AASA Secretariat via martha.liew@asa.org.au by midnight 2 August 2019