2015 FRANCIS G. CARO STUDENT PAPER AWARDS \$1,500 in Prizes

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The Francis G. Caro Student Paper Awards are given annually to recognize exceptional student papers at each level of academic training in the field of aging and the life course. Types of papers accepted include analytic essays on policies and topics important to the field and reports of original empirical research (quantitative or qualitative methods). These competitive awards are given to the best unpublished papers at the graduate level (pre-Masters degree, \$350 prize) and advanced undergraduate level (\$300 prize). Depending on response, multiple awards in each category may be made. These awards are sponsored by the Francis G. Caro Fund, Department of Gerontology, University of Massachusetts Boston.

Applicants must be currently enrolled in a masters degree program or undergraduate degree program at an accredited university or college. Students who are enrolled in a PhD program at the post-masters level are not eligible for this award. The field of study may include gerontology, sociology, economics, psychology, social work, public health, public policy, nursing, or related fields. Applications must include a letter of sponsorship from a faculty advisor. In addition to the award, winners will be recognized on social media and the Gerontology Department website.

The deadline for submissions for the 2015 Francis G. Caro Student Paper Awards is June 1, 2015. Announcements of awards will be made no later than September 1, 2015.

For more information about these student paper awards, eligibility rules, the review process, and instructions on how to submit the application online, go to gerontology.umb.edu Applications may be submitted between January 1, 2015 and June 1, 2015.



Francis (Frank) G. Caro is professor emeritus of the Department of Gerontology and a fellow of the Gerontology Institute at the University of Massachusetts Boston. Frank has been working the field of gerontology for more than 50 years. These awards are offered to recognize Frank's numerous contributions to the field and to honor his commitment to students. He is currently the editor of the *Journal of Aging and Social*

Policy. Frank continues to be active in research and is a committed advocate for the older population in the community.

