Announcements from APPAM

2015 APPAM SPRING CONFERENCE

The Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) will hold the next Spring Conference on April 10–11, 2015, at the University Club in Washington, DC. How Policymakers Use APPAM Member Research aims to begin a dialogue among academic researchers; policymakers, who create policy; and practitioners, who implement policy. The conversation aims to advance the exchange of knowledge and information among these sectors, creating better informed policy deliberations. APPAM will use this conference to determine if the Association can play a role in this exchange, and, if so, what that might entail. A preliminary agenda will be posted on appam.org shortly.

APPAM PH.D. DISSERTATION AWARD, 2014–2015: CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Purpose of Award: APPAM seeks to recognize emergent scholars in the field of public policy and management by presenting an award for the best Ph.D. dissertation in public policy and management.

Nature of Award: Winners receive a cash award in the amount of $1,500 in addition to a plaque, recognition at the annual APPAM Fall Research Conference, and publication of an abstract in the Journal of Policy Analysis and Management. A separate grant covering travel costs to the fall conference also will be provided. The award winner, and two honorable mentions, will be given an opportunity to display posters of their dissertations during the research conference.

Eligibility: Any dissertation that has been completed in the academic years 2013–2014 or 2014–2015 and granted a degree in that period is eligible for consideration. No dissertation that has been completed prior to May 1, 2013 will be accepted. No previously submitted dissertations will be considered. Dissertations from any discipline are acceptable as long as they deal substantively with public policy issues and are nominated by a faculty member of a public policy program that is an institutional member of APPAM. (The faculty member need not be the major advisor or supervisor of the student’s dissertation, but can nominate the dissertation based on the belief that it makes a strong contribution to policy analysis.)

Nominating Procedure and Deadline: Nominations must come from institutional members of APPAM (but not necessarily the institution that granted the degree). Please send the dissertation, along with a letter of nomination (with the nominee's
current address, e-mail address, and phone number) carefully detailing the unique contributions this dissertation makes to the field, to tsheehan@appam.org.

**Deadline for Nominations:** All nominating materials must be received by July 24, 2015.

**Upcoming APPAM Conferences:**

**2015 Spring Conference** *How Policymakers Use APPAM Member Research*
April 10–11, Washington, DC

**2015 Fall Research Conference**
November 12–14, Hyatt Regency Miami, Miami, FL

**2016 Fall Research Conference**
November 3–5, Washington Hilton, Washington DC

**2017 Fall Research Conference**
November 2–4, Hyatt Regency, Chicago, IL

**2018 Fall Research Conference**
November 8–10, Washington Marriott in Wardman Park, Washington, DC