

## 2012 CAERDA Dissertation Award

### Call for Nominations

CAERDA provides a Dissertation Award for Chinese and Chinese Americans who have completed a quality dissertation on education or anyone who has completed a quality dissertation related to the education and teaching of Chinese all over the world.

**Eligibility criteria:** CAERDA members or applicants who are nominated by at least one CAERDA member are eligible. The eligibility date of completing the dissertation is traced back 3 years (April 12, 2009 ~ April 12, 2012) from the award date, which is the first day of the CAERDA Annual Conference where the award is present.

**Award:** One award will be granted for each annual conference. The recipient will receive a plaque commemorating the award with a 1-year complimentary membership and conference registration, and be allocated an appropriate amount of time to present the work or deliver an acceptance speech at the CAERDA Annual Conference.

**Evaluation criteria:** The following criteria will be evaluated:

- (a) Significance of the research to the field
- (b) Depth and relevance of literature review
- (c) Technical soundness and rigor of the research design and methodology
- (d) Quality of data analysis and importance of research findings
- (e) Quality of writing

**Application process:**

1. Include at least one nomination letter provided by a faculty member, academic advisor, and/or dissertation committee member commenting on the quality of the dissertation pertaining to the five aspects (a) – (e) listed above in the evaluation criteria. **At least one of the nominating individuals must be an active CAERDA member.**
2. Include one electronic copy of the dissertation being nominated.
3. The nomination letter(s) and the dissertation **must be** submitted as attachment to an email message by **February 24, 2012**. Send nominations to Dr. Susan Sun ([Ye.Sun@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:Ye.Sun@mail.wvu.edu)), Dissertation Award Committee Chair.

**Award details:** Award recipients will be notified by the award committee chair via email by March 23, 2012.

Questions can be directed to: Susan Sun, Ph.D. ([Ye.Sun@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:Ye.Sun@mail.wvu.edu))

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