

University of Miami College of Arts and Sciences
Center for the Humanities
David John Ruggiero Dissertation Award, 2019

Guidelines

Application deadline: All materials are due Friday, May 24, 2019. Awards will be announced by August 2019.

Award: \$500 prize

Eligibility: Ph.D. awarded by a University of Miami Humanities Department in 2018-19 (after May 2018 through May 2019).

Requirements: Faculty members interested in nominating a Ph.D. graduate should submit a letter of nomination, an electronic copy of the entire dissertation, and two separate files that comprise the introduction and the abstract to: **humanities@miami.edu**. The selected awardee will later be requested to deposit a bound copy of the dissertation at the Center for the Humanities.

- Criteria:**
1. Dissertation has a wide, interdisciplinary, humanistic appeal.
 2. Dissertation is well written (i.e., avoids jargon or, if it uses specialized language, it carefully explains all terms used).
 3. Introduction is well organized and solidly argued.
 4. Project makes a significant contribution, which is clearly stated and supported.
 5. Project is clearly contextualized both historically and geographically (i.e., demonstrates extensive knowledge of the historical period of study and the geo-political specificities of the project).