Essay Prize

The <u>Canadian Association of Security and Intelligence Studies</u> (CASIS) announces the 5th annual competition for the **Geoff Weller Memorial Prize**. The prize is awarded annually by CASIS in memory of Professor Geoff Weller, past president of CASIS and the first president of the University of Northern British Columbia, for the best undergraduate and graduate paper on a subject dealing with intelligence, security, or law enforcement.

Eligibility Criteria

The competition is open to undergraduate or graduate students enrolled at a Canadian university, or any Canadian student enrolled at a university outside of Canada. Essays must address some dimension of intelligence, security, or law enforcement issues in any time period and in any country. Submissions can be from any Humanities or Social Sciences discipline, inter-disciplinary programmes, or law school. Only papers submitted during the 2006-2007 academic year are eligible.

The Award

One undergraduate and one graduate paper will be awarded. Winners will be invited to present their papers at the 2007 CASIS Annual Conference, held September 28-30 at the Westin Hotel in Calgary. Economy air travel, accommodation, and conference registration will be covered. In addition, the winners will receive a \$250 cash prize. \$150 cash prizes for runners-up may also be awarded.

Submission

Undergraduate essays cannot exceed 30 pages including footnotes. Graduate papers cannot exceed 40 pages including footnotes. Theses are not eligible, but chapters from theses can be submitted within the length specified. Submissions must include the author's name, institution, and contact information, as well as course details and grades/comments the essay received. A letter sponsoring the submission from the instructor who marked it is also welcome.

The **<u>deadline for submissions is June 1, 2007</u>**. Send an electronic copy of the paper to:

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About CASIS

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