Southwestern Political Science Association Presents Annual Awards

As part of the 2005 Annual Meeting in Denver, the SWPSA presented awards to these outstanding scholars and students.

The **Pi Sigma Alpha** award for the best paper presented at the 2004 SWPSA meeting was awarded to Tetsuya Matsubayashi, Ph.D. candidate, department of political science, Texas A&M University, for "Size of Democracy and Support for Political System."

The **Best Graduate Student Paper Award** for the best papers presented by a graduate student at the 2004 SWPSA meeting was presented to Mary Deason, department of political science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, for "Systematic Factors of Interest Group Choice: Direct versus Contract Lobbying" and to Danny Hayes, department of government, University of Texas, Austin, for "Perpetuating Party Advantage: Issue Ownership and News Media Favorability in Presidential Campaigns, 1992–2000."

The **Jewel L. Prestage Best Paper Award** for the best paper on gender, race, ethnicity, and political behavior presented at the 2004 SWPSA meeting was awarded to Randall D. Swain, assistant professor, department of geography, government, and history, Morehead State University, for "Cooperative-Communal Activism in African-American Communities."

The **Allan Saxe Best Paper in State and Local Politics** for the best paper on state and local politics presented at the 2004 SWPSA meeting was presented to Melissa Marschall, assistant professor, department of political science, Rice University, for "Minority Incorporation and Local School Boards."

The **Ted Robinson Memorial Award** for the best research proposal by a graduate student in the field of minority politics was awarded to Rene R. Rocha, department of political science, Texas A&M University, for "Black/Brown Cooperation and Conflict in the Education Policy-making Process."

The **Undergraduate Student Paper Award** for the best paper written by an undergraduate during the calendar year 2004 was presented to Porsha Q. Cropper, Stanford University, for "Intergroup Conflict and Racial Attitudes: The Social Psychological Underpinnings of Perceived Group Threat among African-Americans and Latinos in the City of Los Angeles."

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