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The 3rd Annual Postcolonial Studies Association / *Journal of Postcolonial Writing* Postgraduate Essay Prize 2012

The Postcolonial Studies Association and the *Journal of Postcolonial Writing* are delighted to announce details of the 2012 postgraduate essay prize.

Applicants are invited to submit an essay on any topic relating to postcolonial studies. We welcome essays from all academic disciplines, including cultural studies, geography, politics, literature, film, and development studies. The competition is open to any postgraduate student who is registered at any institution worldwide by, or within three months of, the submission deadline (**1st December 2011**). Entries will be accepted from **1st August 2011**.

Essays are subject to a professional and anonymous peer review process, and the winning essay will – subject to editorial approval – be published in the *Journal of Postcolonial Writing*. In addition, the winner will be awarded £250 prize money, while the runner-up will have their work notably mentioned. Should the winner not already be a member of the PSA, they will receive a complementary year-long membership.

Essays should not be longer than 7500 words (including bibliography and any additional notes), and should conform to the MLA referencing style. Only one submission per person is allowed, and no essay will be considered that has been published in any form elsewhere. However, applicants who have previously entered the competition are welcome to enter again, using a different piece of work.

The author's identity should **not be identifiable** in any way from the essay itself (electronic tags, such as those on Microsoft Word, should be removed). The essay should be emailed (preferably as a word or rich text document) along with a completed submission form, to the following address:

psajpw@postcolonialstudiesassociation.co.uk

The deadline for the receipt of essays is **1st December 2011**. The winner will be informally notified at the end of January 2012, and formally awarded the prize at the 2012 biennial PSA Postgraduate Conference, which will be held at the University of Leeds (2-3 February 2012).