

## Announcing the 2023 SITES senior student essay competition

SITES: a Journal of Social Anthropology and Cultural Studies invites submissions for the annual senior student essay competition. The winning essay will be featured in the annual General Issue published in July of each year, and the winner will work closely with the Editor to present the essay in *Sites* style for the journal.

### Key dates:

- Deadline for submissions: **20 April 2023**
- Winning essay announced: 30 April 2023
- Publication-ready essay due to Editor: 15 June 2023

### Eligibility:

- The applicant must be a 300 level or postgraduate student in a degree-granting programme when the paper is written; must be the sole author of the paper; and must submit the paper no more than two years after it was written.
- The paper must be an original work based on original research and/or analyses conducted by the author.
- At the time of submission for this competition, the essay must not have been published or submitted for publication elsewhere.

### Judging criteria:

1. Provides a well-rounded, in-depth analysis of an important social and/or cultural phenomenon.
2. Develops knowledge in anthropology and/or cultural studies of broad interest and value.
3. Shows evidence of theoretical sophistication: the theory allows the material to speak within the discipline and/or add to the discipline.
4. There is evidence of intellectual risk-taking: opens up promising lines of inquiry calling for additional research or work beyond what the paper can hope to cover.
5. The writing style is thoroughly engaging and the essay is ready for publication in its current form or with minor emendations.

The length of essays submitted for this competition is 4,000 – 6,000 words (**including** endnotes and references). Please follow this link for additional layout guidelines for authors:

<https://sites.otago.ac.nz/Sites/about/submissions#authorGuidelines>

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