

PAPER Competition

The Jack and Phyllis Middleton Award for Excellence in Bible and Theology

Creation Care and Justice

Competition Invitation

Graduate students, post-docs, independent scholars, and pre-tenured faculty are invited to enter the Paper Competition, the winner of which will receive *The Jack and Phyllis Middleton Award for Excellence in Bible and Theology*.

In line with the topic of Dr. Keesmaat's lectures, we invite submission of high quality papers on any topic related to the broad theme of "**Creation Care and Justice.**"

Please see the conference **Call for Papers** for more details on paper proposals.

Submission Instructions:

All competition submissions must be submitted simultaneously as paper proposals for the October 19 conference (Word or PDF format). Paper competition proposals are due by September 20, 2024 and the full draft for the paper competition is due by October 4, 2024. Please email your submission proposal and draft to Dr. Patrick Franklin at pfranklin@tyndale.ca by the dates indicated. Please indicate "Creation Care and Justice Paper Competition" in the subject line of your email.

Evaluation Criteria for Excellence:

- The essay should be well written and have a clear, coherently argued point of view (thesis)
- The essay should be academically rigorous, with evidence of significant research and nuanced understanding of the relevant issues
- The essay should engage Scripture in a significant way, bringing informed analysis of the Bible into conversation with other theological disciplines and/or the theological topic at hand
- Special consideration will be given to essays that have relevance to life outside the academy
- Citations should conform to the formatting guidelines of the SBL Handbook of Style or the Chicago Manual of Style
- The essay must be of publishable quality
- The award will be granted only when there is an essay of sufficient excellence