



Call for Submissions: SERMEISS Book Prize for 2019

Established in 1977, the Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society (SERMEISS) is a professional society for specialist and non-specialist educators whose professional activities engage the Middle East or Islam. The organization was founded to provide scholars in the southeastern United States with an opportunity to meet regularly with colleagues to share research findings and teaching concerns. SERMEISS is an affiliated organization of the Middle East Studies Association (MESA).

SERMEISS is pleased to announce its first-ever academic book prize for 2019 to recognize outstanding scholarship in Middle Eastern Studies in any academic discipline in the social sciences or humanities from any time period. Submitted books should be peer-reviewed nonfiction, published in English, and exhibit original empirical and theoretical contributions. Books published within the last three years (2016, 2017, 2018) will be considered. Edited volumes, handbooks, and novels are not eligible for the book award. SERMEISS will also give an honorable mention award.

Submissions will be accepted from authors based at a university within the SERMEISS 10-state region: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Virginia (exclusive of the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area).

Recipients will be required to attend and provide a brief presentation of their books at the 2019 SERMEISS meeting on October 11–13, 2019 in Valle Crucis, North Carolina or at the SERMEISS Spring 2020 meeting.

Recipients of the SERMEISS book prize will receive a \$200 honorarium and a conference fee waiver.

Submissions should include:

1. A cover letter including the following information:
 - Author name
 - University of Affiliation
 - Book Title
 - Publisher Name
 - Year of Publication
 - ISBN #
 - Contact name, phone, email
2. A copy of the book

SERMEISS will only accept one submission per author.

Send submissions to the SERMEISS Executive Director postmarked by **June 1, 2019**:

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