31st Annual Competition for The Charles M. Tiebout Prize in Regional Science

The Western Regional Science Association is proud to announce the 31st Annual Competition for the Charles M. Tiebout Prize in Regional Science.

The Tiebout Prize will be awarded for the best paper submitted by a full-time graduate student enrolled at an accredited academic institution (currently or having completed studies during Academic Year 2015–2016). To be considered, papers should be in the general multidisciplinary realm of regional science: topics in the fields of regional economics, urban economics, urban/regional planning, economic and quantitative geography, and local public finance are especially encouraged. Papers will be judged by a Reading Committee of former WRSA Presidents, and the decision of the committee—which will be rendered by late-November—will be final.

The author of the winning paper must present the research at the WRSA's 56th Annual Meeting to be held in Santa Fe, New Mexico at the La Fonda Hotel during the period February 15–18, 2017. The winning author will receive **\$1,000** to help defray the costs of attending the Meeting. The paper will be printed in the prestigious international quarterly journal *The Annals of Regional Science* (published by Springer) following standard review/revision procedures. Authors of all papers judged by the Program Committee to be worthy of presentation will be invited to deliver them in regular sessions of the Meeting. Registration waivers will be awarded to authors of papers selected as meriting "Finalist" status in the competition.

Graduate students wishing to submit papers for the competition should submit their paper online at www.wrsa.info, being sure to check the "Tiebout Prize" box during the submission process

Questions may be directed to:

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Deadline for Submission: October 15, 2016

- Submissions must include a cover page giving the paper's title, author's full name, postal and e-mail addresses, and telephone number.
- Please indicate your Department and University affiliation and the name of your primary faculty supervisor.
- All text should be double-spaced. Only one submission will be accepted per author, and only papers authored by students will be considered.
- NOTE: Any paper exceeding 50 pages in length (inclusive of references, tables and figures) will NOT be sent to the Reading Committee.

This prize is awarded in honor of the outstanding contributions to regional science made by Charles M. Tiebout before his untimely death in 1968. In addition to his scholarly achievements, "Charlie" Tiebout brought wit, irreverence, and goodwill to everything he did and everyone he knew. He was particularly good in advising, counseling, and encouraging graduate students; thus, it is fitting that the WRSA's annual prize bearing his name be awarded to the best graduate student paper in regional science.

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