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The graduate student research award is given to spur academic and clinical interest in the field of aging, and rewards the best unpublished graduate research paper on a completed project relevant to aging and applicable to practice.

Applicants must be enrolled in a graduate-degree program or have completed their studies less than one year before submission, and be sponsored by a faculty member. The winner will receive a \$500 cash prize, an opportunity to present their paper at the AiA conference, complimentary one-year student ASA membership and registration for the AiA conference.

### 2011 Graduate Student Research Award Winner

#### Pi-Ju (Marian) Liu

Pi-Ju (Marian) Liu is a third-year doctorate student at Claremont Graduate University. Interested in older adult's developmental trajectory on cognition and emotion, she came to the psychology program after graduating from National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan. Her passion for working with older adults stemmed from her volunteer experience in a senior center in Taiwan. Emotional development and decisionmaking across the lifespan have been her research topics of interest. Her master's thesis in on senior's choice with Medicare prescription drug plans, and she found that the preference for fewer options in Medicare choices is related to personal belief about the importance of Medicare.



Pi-Ju (Marian) Liu (left) accepting the Graduate Student Research Award at the 2011 Aging in America Conference in San Francisco

Currently, she is working with Dr. Stacey Wood at Scripps College on the topic of financial elder abuse. They are investigating factors that make seniors susceptible to fraud, and developing interventions to prevent fraud. She is also working with Community Senior Services at Claremont to evaluate their volunteer-transportation program.

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