

Robert J. Glushko Dissertation Prizes

The **Cognitive Science Society** and the **Glushko-Samuelson Foundation** will award up to five outstanding dissertation prizes in cognitive science each year. The goals of these prizes are to increase the prominence of cognitive science, and encourage students to engage in interdisciplinary efforts to understand minds and intelligent systems. The hope is that the prizes will recognize and honor young researchers conducting ground-breaking research in cognitive science. The eventual goal is to aid in efforts to bridge between the areas of cognitive science and create theories of general interest to the multiple fields concerned with scientifically understanding the nature of minds and intelligent systems. Promoting a unified cognitive science is consistent with the belief that understanding how minds work will require the synthesis of many different empirical methods, formal tools, and analytic theories. 2011 was the inaugural year of this prize, and a new competition is held annually.

Robert J. Glushko Dissertation Prize Recipients

The 2013 recipients of the Robert J. Glushko Prizes for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertations / theses in Cognitive Science are:

Dr. Douglas Knox Bemis - 2012 PhD thesis "Simple Composition During Language Processing: An MEG Investigation" from New York University

Dr. Neil Cohn - 2012 PhD thesis "Structure, Meaning, and Constituency in Visual Narrative Comprehension" from Tufts University

Dr. George Kachergis - 2012 PhD thesis "Mechanisms for Cross-Situational Learning of Word-Referent Mappings: Empirical and Modeling Evidence" from Indiana University

Dr. Andrew Lovett - 2012 PhD thesis "Spatial Routines for Sketches: A Framework for Modeling Spatial Problem Solving" from Northwestern University

Dr. Liad Mudrik - 2011 PhD thesis "Processing Visual Context Violations: The Roles of Attention and Awareness" from Tel Aviv University

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A special Glushko Dissertation Prize Symposium showcases the PhD research projects of the first four prize recipients listed above (Saturday, 10:30 - 12:10, Session 68).