**Tourism Management Institute’s**

**Simon Curtis Postgraduate Prize 2024**

The Simon Curtis Postgraduate Prize is open to all students on a TMI Recognised Postgraduate course and relates specifically to students’ final major project, placement, or research. For the purpose of this prize, relevant submissions can focus on an independent research project, dissertation, consultancy project, or professional placement, as long as said work relates to tourism destination(s) and/or destination management organisations.

There are four tasks required to enter:

1. submit an abstract or executive summary of your project (labelled as **Appendix A);**
2. obtain a testimonial from a tourism professional or supervisor related to your project (labelled as **Appendix B**);
3. explain your projects’ impact or relevance to either a tourism destination; tourism professionals; or as a contribution to research (**Section C**);
4. identify 3 core skills you have developed from undertaking this project/placement, and explain how these will help contribute to achieving your career aspirations in tourism (**Max 250 words/Task 4**)

The prize includes:

* One year’s FREE Associate membership of TMI, the voice of destination management;
* The opportunity to engage in a one to one professional mentor meeting, with a senior TMI member and/or experienced destination practitioner;
* A complimentary delegate place at the TMI Annual Convention - to hear the latest developments in destination management and be able to network with leading professionals in the sector;
* If relevant, a small bursary will be available to cover reasonable UK public transport travel costs to attend the event;
* Opportunity to write a blog piece about your placement/project for publication on the TMI website and associated platforms;
* A certificate recognising your CPD engagement with regards to destination management;
* Be the subject of a TMI Press Release to showcase your achievement and that of your University’s recognised course.

The deadline for submissions is **1700 on Friday 21June 2024.** Entries should be submitted using the form below, which must be signed by both you as the student and your course leader/programme tutor (electronic signatures are acceptable). Entries will be judged by the TMI Continuing Professional Development Group and the winner and their course leader contacted shortly thereafter.

**TMI Simon Curtis Postgraduate Prize - Entry Form**

**Section A:**

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| Student Name: |  |
| Course Title: |  |
| University Name: |  |
| Name of Course Leader: |  |
| Student University Email & Mob No: |  |
| Tutor University Email & Mob No: |  |
| Student Signed: |  | Date: |
| Tutor Signed: |  | Date: |

**Section B:**

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| Name of Tourism Organisation or Subject of Tourism Research (eg. for whom you undertook the research project/placement): |
| Dates of Research Project/Placement (start & finish):  |
| Name and Email of Key Contact/Supervisor at the Organisation:  |
| **Testimonial:** Please attach a short (max 100 word) quote from your project/placement supervisor supporting the stated contribution you have made to the organisation/subject. (Label this **Appendix B**).  |

**Section C:**

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| Task 1: please submit an abstract or executive summary of your project (please label this **Appendix A** in your submission). |
| Task 2: attach the testimonial as **Appendix B.** |
| Task 3: explain your projects’ impact or relevance to either a tourism destination; tourism professionals;or as a contribution to research (max 250 words & 6 bullet points) |
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| Task 4: identify 3 core skills you have developed from undertaking this project/placement, and explain how these will help contribute to achieving your career aspirations in tourism (Max 250 words) |
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**Please email the completed form, and associated appendices (all as one document) to:**

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**By 1700 hrs on Friday 21 June 2024**