

CALL FOR KEIMYUNG SILK ROAD AWARD NOMINATION

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The Keimyung Silk Road Award is designed to honor and acknowledge authors who have made significant contributions to the field of Silk Road Studies. Every year, a highly respected interdisciplinary selection committee, comprising distinguished scholars in this field, undertakes a thorough evaluation of the scholarly works submitted for consideration. We prioritize maintaining the highest standards of impartiality and are dedicated to fostering a rigorous and unbiased evaluation process. To ensure fairness, we keep the identities of the esteemed committee members confidential until the announcement of the award-winning books.

COMPETITION RULES AND PROCEDURES

- To be eligible for the award, books must be rigorous scholarly monographs that represent original research. They should be published in English or Korean in 2022 or 2023.
- Each year, the Keimyung Silk Road Award recognizes 2 outstanding books, one in the humanities, and one in the social sciences. The selected works exemplify excellence and innovation in their respective fields.
- In addition to original works, scholarly monographs that are translations of ancient materials related to the Silk Road written in rare classical languages are also eligible. These translations must be in English or Korean.
- Edited volumes, new editions of previously published books, bibliographies, dictionaries, and textbooks are not eligible.
- Nominations for the award may be submitted by publishers, academic organizations, the authors themselves, or scholars actively engaged in Silk Road studies.
- To commence the nomination process, we kindly request that you send an email to censca@kmu.ac.kr, using the subject line "KEIMYUNG SILK ROAD AWARD". Within the email, please include pertinent details about the nominated book, and attach two recommendation letters from experts in the field of Silk Road studies, affirming the scholarly merit of the work. Additionally, kindly provide the electronic version of the book. To facilitate the review process, we request that you arrange for a review copy of the nominated book to be dispatched to the address provided below.
- **The deadline for all submissions is July 17, Monday, 2023.** (Please take into consideration the time required for international delivery.)

AWARD CEREMONY

- Each awardee will be honored with a cash prize of \$2,000 and a distinguished medal of excellence recognizing their notable contributions to Silk Road research.
- The announcement of the awardees will be made no later than November 2023. This will ensure that the awardees have sufficient time to prepare for their participation in the award ceremony.
- The grand award ceremony will be held at Keimyung University in Korea and will serve as a prominent platform to celebrate the achievements of the awardees. Awardees will be invited to attend the ceremony and will have the opportunity to give a special lecture sharing their insights and expertise with the audience.
- It is important that awardees accept the invitation and be able to participate in the ceremony on the date set by the university. To facilitate their participation, all necessary travel expenses, including round-trip airfare and lodging for a three-day, two-night stay in Korea, will be fully covered.
- The president of Keimyung University will present the awards to the winners, expressing the university's recognition and appreciation for their exceptional work. The governor of Gyeongsangbuk-do (the province where Keimyung University is located) may become a co-presenter.

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