International Pierre Fédida Contest of Unpublished Essays in Fundamental Psychopathology – 2010

1. THE AWARD

- 1.1. The University Association for Research in Fundamental Psychopathology sponsors the "International Pierre Fédida Award in Fundamental Psychopathology," a contest consisting of unpublished essays (in the format of articles for the *Revista Latinoamericana da Psicologia Fundamental*) on themes related to Fundamental Psychopathology. The objective is to encourage the production of scientific papers that may contribute to advances in the prevention and treatment of mental suffering (pathos).
- 1.2. Any person over the age of eighteen may compete for the award, except for members of the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology.
- 1.3. In the year 2010, the sum of R\$2,000.00 (two thousand reais) will be awarded to the best unpublished essay written by one or more Brazilian authors, or US\$1,000.00 (one thousand dollars) for foreign authors.
- 1.4. The amount of the award referred to in Item 1.3 is indivisible.
- 1.5. The essays may be written in co-authorship.
- 1.6. Competitors may submit more than one essay, in all cases complying with the provisions of Items 3.1 and 3.2, below.
- 1.7. If the awarded essay was written in co-authorship, the award will be presented to the author whose name is listed first place on the identification card referred to in Item 2.3.

2. SUBMISSION OF ESSAYS

- 2.1. All essays must be submitted on or before July 31, 2010, either directly at the office of the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology, at Rua Tupi, 397/104, Zip Code 01233-001, São Paulo SP Brazil, or by express delivery mail (SEDEX, in Brazil, or its equivalent).
- 2.2. In cases of remittance by SEDEX or equivalent, the mailing date will be considered submission date.
- 2.3. For effects of identification, authors must send, together with the original, a sealed envelope containing an identification card with full name, address, title of the essay and pseudonym of the author or authors, as well as a copy of each one's identification document (ID) and a short résumé.

3. PREPARATION

- 3.1. The originals must be written in academic Portuguese, Spanish, French or English, and have up to 15.000 bites without space or 30.000 bites with space. They must be presented on CD and in five copies printed on a single side of letter-quality A4 size paper (210 x 297 mm), using Times New Roman 14 font, with 25 lines per page, 1.5 cm spacing between lines, and with pages duly numbered. The author must identify each page with the pseudonym.
- 3.2. The bibliography used must be indicated pursuant to NBR-6023/2000 norms of the Brazilian Association of Technical Norms (ABNT).

4. THE JUDGING COMMITTEE

- 4.1. The committee responsible for judging and classifying the competing essays will be comprised of four Ph.D. researchers, members of the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology.
- 4.2. The president of the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology will provide the committee defined in the above item with all the technical-administrative support necessary to carry out its functions.
- 4.3. The Judging Committee is sovereign in its decisions, and no appeal will be accepted.
- 4.4. Each member of the Judging Committee will have until August 28, 2010, to send the President of University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology his or her judgment regarding the essays and classification of the first three places.
- 4.5. The president of the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology will be responsible for drawing up the final classification of the essays, based on the classifications determined by the members of the Judging Committee.
- 4.6. The Judging Committee will be dissolved after concluding its task.

5. EVALUATION

- 5.1. The essays will be evaluated on the basis of the items included in the "Criteria for Evaluating the Essays." (See Attachment)
- 5.2. The preliminary evaluation will take into account the following items:
 - Relevance: relationship of the paper to its proposed theme.
- 5.3. The evaluation of merit will take the following items into account:
 - I. Formal presentation: observance of the formal standards for presenting the essay;
 - II. Language: objectivity, style, concision and correctness of language;
 - III. Logical Sequence: identification, description, reasoning, and conclusion;
 - IV. Contents: innovative character of the main ideas and accuracy of the statements regarding facts, proof, and pertinent information;

- V. Grounds: the grounds for the positions taken regarding the topic, with indication of sources; and
- VI. Conclusion: the main conclusions and their importance for the treatment and prevention of human suffering, as well as indications for possible lines for future research.
- 5.4. The final grade of each paper will be calculated by the simple arithmetic average, rounded off to the second decimal place, of the grades attributed by the Judging Committee.
- 5.5. To break ties among competitors who have attained the same grade, the paper which has received the highest simple arithmetic average of the number of points attributed by the Judging Committee in the following items, rounded off to the second decimal place, will be awarded first place: contents, conclusion, language grounds, logical sequence, and formal presentation. Second and third places will be decided by the same method, applied successively.

6. COPYRIGHTS

6.1. Copyrights on the essays submitted will belong to the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology, which reserves the right to publish the winning essay in the *Revista Latinoamericana de Psicopatologia Fundamental*.

7. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 7.1. At the criterion of the Judging Committee, three further essays may be indicated for publication, as Honorable Mentions.
- 7.2. The identification of the author(s) of the winning essay and those receiving Honorable Mentions, and the declaration of the winner(s), will occur during the closing session of the 4th International Congress of Fundamental Psychopathology and 10th Brazilian Congress of Fundamental Psychopathology, on September 7, 2010.
- 7.3. The award will be presented immediately after the announcement of the winner.
- 7.4. If the winner shall not be present at the closing session, the money price will not be delivered.
- 7.4. Participation in the contest implies acceptance by the competitors of all the regulations stated herein. Non-compliance with any regulation herein will result in disqualification.
- 7.5. Cases not covered herein will be decided by the President of the University Research Association in Fundamental Psychopathology. The essays submitted will not be returned to the authors.

ATTACHMENT

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING THE ESSAYS

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

ITEM CHARACTER
Relevance Elimination

EVALUATION OF THE MERIT

ITEMS	CHARACTER	POINTS	
Formal presentation	Classification	0.40	
Language	Classification	1.70	
Logical sequence	Classification	0.60	
Contents	Classification	4.00	
Grounds	Classification	1.30	
Conclusion	Classification		2.00
Total			10.00