

Call for Nominations

College of Engineering – Office of Graduate Programs 2009 Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award

The Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award is to recognize and reward distinguished scholarship and research at the doctoral level in the College of Engineering unified doctoral program. Nominated dissertations should represent original work making an unusually significant contribution to the discipline. Both methodological and substantive quality will be judged. Two awards will be made. The recipients will be honored at an awards banquet and will receive a certificate and a cash award of \$1000.

Eligibility

1. Students must receive a degree from the College of Engineering's unified doctoral program. The effective date of the degree award must be August 2008, December 2008 or May 2009. The degree award date will be confirmed by the Office of Graduate Studies.
2. Previous recipients of this award are ineligible to receive the same award again.
3. Awards will be made on the basis of demonstrated excellence and lasting impact.

Guidelines

1. Nominations must be submitted by the dissertation advisor.
2. Nomination materials must include (in addition to nomination form):
 - a. Extended abstract (not to exceed 10 pages) of his or her dissertation, prepared by the nominee. Appendices containing nontextual material, such as charts or tables, may be included and are not counted toward the 10 page limit;
 - b. Three letters from referees evaluating the significance and quality of the dissertation work. The nominee should request one of these letters from the dissertation supervisor, another from a member of the dissertation committee, and the third from an expert scholar of the nominee's choice from within or outside the University of Nebraska; and
 - c. Two-page curriculum vita.
3. Submit the nomination by 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 17, 2009 to:
College of Engineering
Office of Graduate Programs
OTH 114, attn: Chelsea Hood
UNL, 68588-0642
4. The recipients of the College of Engineering Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award will receive a \$1000 honorarium and be invited, along with his or her faculty mentor, to attend an awards reception, Friday, April 24, 2009 during the College of Engineering E-Week.

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By Friday, April 17, 2009

Nomination Form

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Nominee Information

Nominee _____

Department _____

Nominee's Campus Address _____ Zip _____

Telephone number _____ Email _____

Nominator Information (Dissertation Advisor)

Name _____

Department _____

Nominator's Campus Address _____ Zip _____

Telephone number _____ Email _____

Dissertation Advisor Signature _____

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2009 Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award Nomination Packet Checklist

Please attach this form with your packet and check off each required item to verify the mandatory items are completed before submitting the packet. Thank you.

The following information and supporting data must accompany each nomination:

- Completed nomination form;
- Extended abstract (not to exceed 10 pages) of his or her dissertation, prepared by the nominee. Appendices containing nontextual material, such as charts or tables, may be included and are not counted toward the 10 page limit;
- Three letters from referees evaluating the significance and quality of the dissertation work. The nominee should request one of these letters from the dissertation supervisor, another from a member of the dissertation committee, and the third from an expert scholar of the nominee's choice from within or outside the University of Nebraska; and
- Current curriculum vita.

Submit original nomination for each nominee in a folder containing a typed label with the person's full name and department on it.

NOTE: All information and data required must be submitted to the Office of Graduate Programs for the nominee to qualify. An incomplete nomination packet will result in the nominee being disqualified.

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