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University Graduate School Accepting 2015 Provost Award Nominations

The nomination deadline for all Provost Awards is **5:00 pm on Friday, February 20, 2015**. Please visit the GSAW webpage, <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/gkaw.shtml>, and click on "Provost Awards Recognition Reception" to download the nomination form.

UGS Provost Award for Graduate Student Outstanding Paper or Manuscript

The Graduate Student Outstanding Paper/Manuscript Award recognizes nominees who have contributed to the body of research in their discipline via an outstanding paper or manuscript. Two awards, one for STEM and one for non-STEM disciplines, are anticipated and the National Science Foundation definitions for STEM will be followed when determining which award category the nominee will be considered under. Nominees must be full-time graduate students, fully admitted to a degree-granting program (i.e., certificate students are not eligible).

UGS Provost Award for Graduate Student Outstanding Creative Project

The Graduate Student Outstanding Creative Project recognizes nominees who have outstanding creative activity of local or national significance. Nominees will be evaluated based on the quality of their work using the following criteria:

- Margin of excellence - contributions that enhance the discipline as demonstrated by the recognition of peers and brings prestige to the University because of their quality and artistic distinction.
- International/National/Community value - creative activities that enhance the mission of the University.
- Award based on a single significant creative project.

Nominees must be full-time graduate students, fully admitted to a degree-granting program (certificate students are not eligible).

2015 UGS Provost Award for Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant

The UGS Provost Award for Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant recognizes exceptional contributions made by a Graduate Teaching Assistant to the educational excellence of FIU. Faculty members are encouraged to nominate Graduate Teaching Assistants who exemplify outstanding teaching and mentoring. Nominees must be full-time, currently enrolled graduate students, fully admitted to a degree-granting program and must have completed a minimum of 18 graduate credit hours at the time of nomination.

UGS Provost Award for Graduate Student Engagement

The UGS Provost Award for Graduate Student Engagement recognizes nominees who, in conjunction with graduate faculty, have demonstrated significant local, regional, or global community engagement through a community partnership that has led to demonstrable community impacts. Nominees must be full-time, currently enrolled graduate students, fully admitted to a degree-granting program (i.e. certificate students are not eligible) and must have completed a minimum of 18 graduate credit hours at the time of nomination.

UGS Provost Award for Mentorship of Graduate Students

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Summer 2015 DEA
February 6, 2015

Summer 2015 DYF
February 6, 2015

Fall 2015 Presidential
February 6, 2015

D-5/M-3 Deadline for Spring 15 Graduation
(due three weeks before defense)
March 6, 2015

McNair Fellowship
March 20, 2015

Deadline to Defend Thesis or Dissertations for Spring 15 Graduation
March 27, 2015

LAC Fellowship
April 1, 2015

Final ETD Approval Form Deadline
Friday, April 17, 2015

For a complete list of upcoming Graduate Admissions deadlines, please go to http://gradschool.fiu.edu/documents/Grad_Admissions_Deadlines.pdf

UPCOMING EVENTS

Networking Skills
01/29 11:00am-2:00pm GC 230-MMC

Get Your Career in Gear (with the BBC Vice Provost Council)
01/29 10:00am , WUC-BBC

The Ins and Outs of Weight Loss and Maintenance
01/29 12:00 PM TBA-MMC

For more information, go to <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/professionaldevelo>

The UGS Provost Award for Mentorship of Graduate Students recognizes excellence in the teaching and mentoring of graduate students outside the formal classroom experience. Mentors are faculty who share their knowledge and experience to enhance the scholarly professional and personal development of graduate students. Mentors are more than advisors. They guide students in the development of research topics, help them understand the ethical issues of their disciplines, assist them in publishing their work, introduce them to career opportunities and networks, and serve as role models providing moral, emotional, and intellectual support. There is a two-step nomination procedure for this award:

1. A faculty mentor must be nominated by a graduate student via submission of the nomination form with an accompanying nomination letter.
2. Once nomination letters are evaluated by UGS, those faculty nominees identified as finalists will be invited by UGS to submit additional information for the second and final round of consideration.

Nominees must be full-time graduate faculty and must have been employed at FIU for at least three academic years, including the current academic year. Winners of this award within the last two years are not eligible for nomination.

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