

Dean's Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Scholarship

The graduate student nominated for this award needs to provide 1-page written statement that addresses the following criteria. The statement must be present evidence in such a way that reviewers outside of applicant field can evaluate their work according to each criterion.

Element	Outstanding 3	Good 2	Average 1	Insufficient 0	Score
Scholarly Focus	Well-developed focus, examples build on and complement each other, enhance understanding	Developed focus, examples are similar in focus, but disseminate similar information	Some focus, but a central theme is not well presented.	No focus, examples do not demonstrate a scholarly theme or focus	
Contribution to the Field	Groundbreaking research in terms of theory, practice, or both and clear evidence of innovation in the field	A significant contribution but not exceptional and some innovation in the field.	A nice but incremental extension of previous work and/or no innovation in the field	No contribution to field is presented.	
Evidence of Impact	Evidence of extensive use by others in the discipline	Evidence of use by others in the discipline	Limited evidence of use by others in the discipline	No evidence of use by others in the discipline.	
Significance of Scholarship	Addresses an important issue within the discipline, provides new insight/understanding	Addresses an important issue within the discipline, but tends to confirm existing ideas and understandings	Contributes new ideas/understandings within the discipline, but does not address a major area of importance	A case for the significance of scholarship is not made.	

Evidence of quality of work	Peer-reviewed, high quality journal/book within discipline	Peer-reviewed, quality journal/book within discipline.	Peer-reviewed journal/book within the discipline	Limited peer reviewed journal articles or books within discipline.	
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