Call for Nominations

University of Nebraska-Lincoln
2016-17 Folsom Distinguished Master’s Thesis Award

Submit nominations for this award online by February 1, 2017
http://www.unl.edu/gradstudies/facstaff/awards

The Dean of Graduate Studies of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) is soliciting nominations for the UNL Distinguished Master’s Thesis Award. Funded by the Folsom family through the University of Nebraska Foundation, the award recognizes and rewards distinguished scholarship and research at the Master’s level.

Guidelines

1. Each department or interdepartmental area that confers the Master’s degree may submit one nomination for the award. The departmental selection process is the responsibility of each department/area.
2. A nominee must have been awarded the Master’s degree in December 2015, May 2016 or August 2016. Individuals who have received a Ph.D. (or comparable research degree) in any discipline prior to writing the Master’s thesis are not eligible. However, recipients of a first professional degree awarded prior to the writing of the thesis may be nominated.
3. Nomination materials must be submitted online to include:
   a. Written endorsement of the department graduate committee chair;
   b. One-page resume of the nominee;
   c. *Abstract;
   d. Letter from the faculty mentor/advisor; and
   e. Contact information for TWO reviewers from outside the department who have agreed to review and rank the abstract.
4. Submit online nomination by February 1, 2017.
5. Outside reviewers will be contacted and their reviews will be completed by March 22, 2017.
6. A Graduate Faculty Awards Committee will evaluate the nominations and determine the recipient of the award. At the committee’s discretion, additional consultation may be sought.
7. The recipient of the Lowe R. and Mavis M. Folsom Distinguished Master’s Thesis Award will receive a $500 honorarium, a commemorative medallion, and be invited, along with his or her faculty mentor, to attend an awards luncheon during the spring research fair on April 5, 2017.

*General Formatting of Research Abstract (for Folsom Thesis Award)

- The research abstract is a summary of your thesis.
- Left-justify all text.
- No more than 10 pages plus appendix, double-spaced, 12-point font, 1-inch margins, number pages, and include your name on each page in the header (left side).
- Include a brief list of works/research/literature cited in abstract.
- Citations may be included for important references; can be either footnotes or endnotes; can be singled-spaced and must be within the 10-page abstract limit.
- An appendix is optional. It can include non-textual material such as charts or tables, and no more than five pages (in addition to the thesis abstract).
- Include your full name and most recent degree awarded (i.e., M.S., M.A.) at the top of the first page (centered).
- List the department where the research was conducted. Use the official department name.
- Include the name of your advisor(s).