

Faculty of Health
PhD Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Research
Policy and Procedures

Title

The Faculty of Health PhD Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Research

Purpose

The purpose of the award is to acknowledge excellence in research performed by PhD students within the Faculty of Health. It is intended to recognize a PhD student who has demonstrated the potential to become an independent researcher.

Award Recognition

- The recipient will receive a certificate at the Professional and Research Education Group (PREP) Graduate Research Day
- \$500 cash award
- A platform presentation at the PREP Graduate Research Day in the year of the award

Eligibility

1. All graduate students registered in the previous 11 months in the PhD Health and PhD Nursing.
2. PhD students must have completed their dissertation proposal, data collection and at least a preliminary analysis of their data that would constitute an original conference presentation.
3. IDPhD Students must be supervised or co-supervised by a faculty member in the FoH.
4. Applicants must have submitted an abstract for either a platform or poster presentation for the annual PREP Graduate Research Day (normally held in May).
5. Previous winners of the PhD award are NOT eligible to apply.

Evaluation Criteria

Applications will be reviewed on the basis of;

- The scientific merit of the research submitted
- Evidence within the supporting documents that the student has the potential to become an independent researcher.

Application Process

Students with a submitted platform or poster abstract for the PREP Graduate Research Day will be invited by the Director – Research Services to submit the following documentation to the Selection Committee:

- The PREP abstract
- A CV
- A letter of support from your supervisor/co-supervisor (max 2 pages) indicating your potential to become an independent researcher. The letter **MUST** confirm that eligibility requirements 1 and 2 above have been met.
- Any published papers, conference proceedings or abstracts and relevant reports to external agencies you are named on (max. 8)
- A short cover letter (max. 2 pages) summarizing your dissertation research

Selection Committee

Applications will be reviewed by a sub-committee of the Faculty of Health Research Committee and will be chaired by the Associate Dean Research or an alternate designated by the Associate Dean. The Committee will comprise a minimum of three Committee representatives including the Chair.