

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL

DORA WALLACE HODGSON OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT AWARDS

The Graduate School is pleased to announce the Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Graduate Student Awards. Funding for these awards is made possible by generous donations to the WSU Foundation from the Dora Wallace Hodgson estate.

Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's-level Student Award (\$1,000)

-due first Monday in February

Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Doctoral-level Student Award (\$1,000)

-due first Monday in February

Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's Thesis Award (\$1,000)

-due first Monday in October

Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's Non-thesis Award (\$1,000)

-due first Monday in February

Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award (\$1,000)

-due first Monday in February

Eligibility: Students must be:

1. In good academic standing in a degree-bound graduate program
2. Nominated by a faculty member and approved by their graduate coordinator or department chair, and the dean of their college

Specific eligibility requirements for each award are noted on the attached sheet(s). Please note that each program may nominate no more than one student for each of the awards and that these fellowships do not entitle students to in-state tuition rates.

Nomination procedures:

1. The nominator should complete a cover sheet (attached) for each nomination.
2. All applications should include an evaluative statement from the nominator and the signatures requested on the cover sheet.
3. All applications should include the student's current resume/cv.
4. Some awards require supporting materials. Refer to the specific criteria on the next sheet.

Recognition: Winners of the Outstanding Graduate Student Awards will receive a certificate and check at the GRASP Symposium with the exception of the Outstanding Master's-level thesis award which is given at the Graduate School Hooding Ceremony in the fall.

Review procedure: Nominations will be reviewed by the Graduate School Awards Committee consisting of senior graduate faculty members and the Associate Dean of the Graduate School.

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Nomination Cover Sheet

Please return by the first Monday in February to the Dean of the Graduate School, Campus Box 4
except for the Outstanding Master's Thesis Award which is due the first Monday of October

Name of the Candidate: _____

Nominated by: _____

Award: (Check one)

- Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's-level Student Award
- Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Doctoral-level Student Award
- Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's Thesis Award
- Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's Non-Thesis Award
- Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award

Rationale. The nominator should attach a separate sheet indicating why this candidate should receive an Outstanding Graduate Student Award. Please describe as well any significant achievements or qualifications as they pertain to the criteria for this award. The quality of any type of final project, such as thesis, paper, performance, portfolio, demonstration, etc., should be considered.

Résumé. A current cv is required.

Supporting Materials. Please list here any supporting materials that are a part of this nomination, such as letters of support, awards, publications, dissertation: *(Note that two copies of the thesis/dissertation and an abstract are required for the outstanding thesis/dissertation award.)*

Signatures:

Nominating Faculty Member: _____ Date: _____

Department Chair or
Graduate Coordinator: _____ Date: _____

College Dean: _____ Date: _____

Specific Criteria:

The Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's-level Student Award and the Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Doctoral-level Student Award Description: Awarded to a graduate student (one each at the master's and doctoral level) who exhibits outstanding research qualities as demonstrated in their currently admitted program of study.

Eligibility (in addition to eligibility requirements stated on cover page): 1) Any full- or part-time degree-bound graduate student may be considered. 2) Must be currently enrolled at WSU.

The Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's Thesis Award Description: Awarded to a master-level graduate student who has demonstrated outstanding research qualities as reflected in their Master's thesis. This award is made in the *fall* so that the successful thesis can be submitted as WSU's entry in the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools (MAGS) outstanding thesis competition the following spring.

Eligibility (in addition to eligibility requirements stated on cover page): Completed thesis at WSU within the past academic year. Nominations must include two copies of the thesis (both will be returned; bound copies are not required), and an abstract, not to exceed 300 words, describing the research and its significance.

The Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Master's Non-Thesis Award Description: For master-level non-thesis graduate students who exhibit outstanding research/creative qualities as reflected in work submitted as part of a non-thesis option.

Eligibility (in addition to eligibility requirements stated on cover page): 1) Completed non-thesis Master's degree at WSU within the past academic year. 2) Submitted work/activity must be representative of a capstone experience for the degree program and involve faculty committee review.

The Dora Wallace Hodgson Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award Description: Awarded to a doctoral-level graduate student who has completed an outstanding dissertation. The successful dissertation will be submitted as WSU's entry in the Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) distinguished dissertation competition if it is in the correct field of study for that year's competition.

Eligibility (in addition to eligibility requirements stated on cover page): Completed doctoral dissertation at WSU within the past academic year. Nominations must include two copies of the dissertation (both will be returned; bound copies are not required), and an abstract, not to exceed 300 words, describing the research and its significance.

