



Announcement
Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University
Distinguished Thesis Award, Fiscal Year 2025

There are numbers of high quality researches published in national and international academic journals which distribute a wide benefit towards public and private sector and also enhance the reputation of Mahidol University. To honor the excellence and effort of those students, the Faculty of Graduate Studies hereby offers the Distinguished Thesis Awards of the Fiscal Year 2025 as following details.

1. Objectives

- 1.1 To promote high quality theses in both public and private sectors
- 1.2 To enhance the reputation of the relevant graduate programs
- 1.3 To enhance the reputation of the students and thesis advisors
- 1.4 To promote the educational standards of the Faculty of Graduate Studies
- 1.5 To use the Distinguished Theses selection as a promotional strategy

2. Criteria for Thesis Nominations

2.1 Applicants must be graduates of Mahidol University from the academic years 2022–2023 or 2024, as approved by University Council Meetings 607–611, held between August and December 2024.

2.2 The thesis must be conducted by the graduate specified in item 2.1

2.3 The thesis must be written in either English or Thai

2.4 The thesis must be published or meet at least one of the following criteria:

2.4.1 Published or accepted for publication in a national or international journal.

The student's name is not required to be the first author, but the published research article must be part of the thesis and affiliated with Mahidol University.

2.4.2 Patented or copyrighted, with the content included as part of the thesis.

2.4.3 Demonstrates potential for further utilization.

2.4.4 Presented at an international conference.

2.5 Applicants who have received the Outstanding Thesis Award from the Faculty of Graduate Studies in the same program are not eligible to apply for the Distinguished Thesis Award.

2.6 The thesis submitted for this Distinguished Thesis Award must not be the same as the thesis submitted for the Innovative Thesis Award in the fiscal year 2025.

In addition, the nomination for this Distinguished Thesis Award must be made under the approval of the thesis major advisor and program director of the applicants.

3. Disciplinary Groups of Thesis

The applicants must properly specify the nominated thesis into one of the disciplinary group based on the research content and methodology. However, it may be re-categorized to other appropriated group by the committee - if necessary.

The disciplinary groups are categorized into 4 sub-groups;

Group 1 Biological Science, e. g. theses in Biological Science, Molecular Biology, Pharmacy, Toxicology, Neurosciences

Group 2 Physical Science and Technology, e. g. theses in Analytical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry, Polymer Science, Mathematics, Biostatistics, Physics, Engineering, Information Technology, Environment

Group 3 Applied Health Sciences, this disciplinary refers to the applying of knowledge towards healthcare, treatment, and body functionality of human and animals, e. g. theses in Medical Science, Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry, Medical Technology, Public Health, Medical Social Sciences, Food and Nutrition, Health Promotion, Community, Sports Science, Environment and Resources.

Group 4 Humanities, Social Science, Education, and Liberal Arts, e.g. theses in Public Administration, Criminology, Justice Administration, Human Ecology and Social Ecology, Social Development, Demography, Behavioral Sciences, Educational Technology, Administration Management, Curriculum and Instruction, Human Rights, Rehabilitation Service for Persons with Disabilities, Language, Religion, Culture, Folk Wisdom, Music, Community or Social Engagement in Health

4. Schedule of the Distinguished Thesis Awards

4.1 Application for the Distinguished Thesis Award of the fiscal year 2023 must be made via online within the schedule:

Procedures	Period
Submission of application	Now - 28 February 2025
Announcement of shortlisted candidates	May 2025
Oral presentation of shortlisted candidates (organized by the Faculty of Graduate Studies)	June 2025
Announcement of the Distinguished Thesis Awards	July 2025
Distinguished Thesis Awards Ceremony	To be announced

4.2 Required Documents

Online application at <https://graduate.mahidol.ac.th/scholarship-online/>

- Applicants of an international program must fill-in in English.

- Applicants of a Thai program must fill-in either in Thai or English.

Applicants must attach the following files:

1) A copy of the thesis abstract in English and Thai (if any)

2) A summary of the thesis with maximum 5 pages (PDF format)

3) A copy of the thesis article published in recognized national or international academic journals and listed in international academic databases, or a copy of the thesis article published in specific journals related to the field of the study.

The information from the thesis database that the students submitted to the Faculty Graduate Studies for graduation shall be used to fulfill the consideration of the committee.

In case that the application form and/or the required documents (item 1-3) are not complete, the application shall be considered as disqualified.

4.3 Applicants who pass the screening selection must conduct an oral presentation **on the date set by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.**

4.3.1 Applicant from international program must conduct the presentation in English.

4.3.2 Applicant from Thai program must conduct the presentation either in Thai or in English.

5. Distinguished Thesis Award

5.1 Awards

Awards	Student	Advisor
Distinguished Thesis Award (one award/ disciplinary group)		
Doctoral	30,000 Baht and a certificate	30,000 Baht and a certificate
Master's	20,000 Baht and a certificate	20,000 Baht and a certificate
Excellent Thesis Award (one award/ disciplinary group)		
Doctoral	15,000 Baht and a certificate	15,000 Baht and a certificate
Master's	10,000 Baht and a certificate	10,000 Baht and a certificate

Remarks: Candidates who pass the screening selection (shortlisted candidates) and conduct the oral presentation will be offered only a certificate of participation, without award.

5.2 The Faculty of Graduate Studies shall not consider the Distinguished Thesis Awards for all 4 disciplinary groups in case **none of the applications meet the evaluation criteria.**

5.3 The Faculty of Graduate Studies Committee's decision is considered as a final decision without any appeals.

6. Selection Criteria

6.1 The thesis must be original, not duplicating with any previous theses, texts, or methodology.

6.2 The thesis must demonstrate a clear hypothesis.

6.3 The thesis must be conducted using appropriate research methodology and instruments.

6.4 The thesis must be written in a standard format with a clear presentation of research results.

6.5 The thesis must contain at least one of the following characteristics:

6.5.1 Initiating a new theory or idea or disproving a previous theory or making a significant contribution to a previous theory.

6.5.2 Establishing a new procedure or new research instrument, disproving a previous procedure or instrument, or adding an essential point to them.

6.5.3 Discovering procedures of production, invention, administration, and services that are beneficial to the discipline or the manufacture of new products or contributing significant adaptations or improvements to previous procedures.

7. Any other cases of unable to comply with this announcement shall be under the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies' discretion based on a case-by-case basis.

8. Further Enquiries

Please contact the Student Affairs and Networking Development Section, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University (Salaya Campus) Tel: 0-2441-4125 ext. 600 – 603
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