

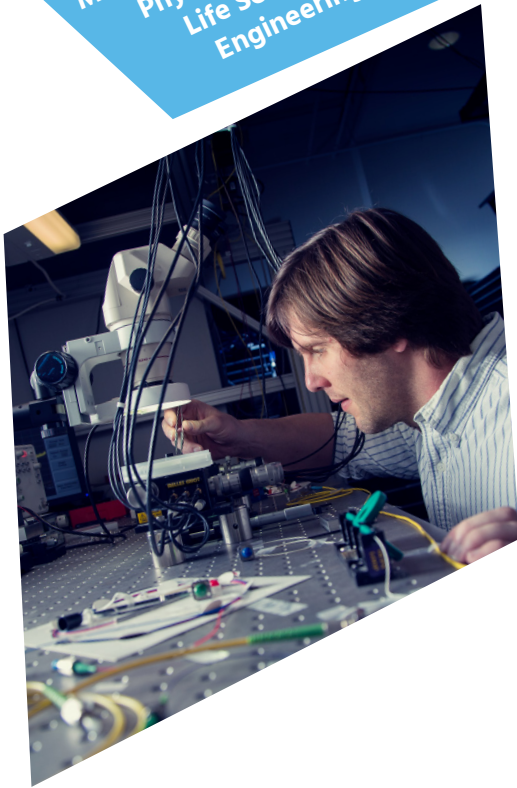
NON - STEM Categories

Humanities
Social Sciences
Education
Business



STEM Categories

Biological Sciences
Mathematical Sciences
Physical Sciences
Life Sciences
Engineering



UC SANTA BARBARA GRADUATE DIVISION

2017-2018 Distinguished Master's Thesis Award Competition

We have the opportunity to **nominate two students** for the 2017-18 Distinguished Master's Thesis Award, presented by the Western Association of Graduate Schools (WAGS) and PROQUEST.

Of the two campus nominees, one must be in the area of Biological Sciences, Mathematical and Physical Sciences, Life Sciences, and Engineering and the other in the area of Humanities, Social Sciences, Education, and Business.

Graduate Division will administer the review of campus nominations in order to select the two campus finalists. **Departments may submit multiple students for consideration.**



GUIDELINES FOR THE 2017-2018 DISTINGUISHED MASTER'S THESIS

1. A nominee must have earned the master's degree between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017
2. The scholarly "product" eligible for this competition is a formal written thesis -- exams and projects are not eligible
3. Nominations must include the following:
 - a) A non-technical summary prepared by the student (1000-1500 words) describing the research and its significance for a general academic audience of non-specialists
 - b) A letter from the department chair or thesis advisor and one additional faculty member. The letters should include information regarding the significance of the thesis, the contribution of the thesis to the program of the degree granting unit, and the impact of the thesis on the knowledge base of the discipline
 - c) A CV or resume from the student nominee

WINNER WILL RECEIVE

Certificate of Award
\$1,000

Travel expenses for the recipient to attend the annual WAGS Conference and Awards luncheon to be held in Las Vegas, NV in March 2018

DEADLINE

All nomination materials must be submitted electronically to Christian Villasenor, Assistant Dean at graddeans@graddiv.ucsb.edu by **Monday, August 14, 2017 at 4 p.m.** You may direct questions to x2013.