Award/Scholarship Title: Student Research Awards

Due Date: May 31, 2024 – 11:59 p.m. central time

Award/Scholarship Description: The Student Research Awards annually recognize research conducted during a Master’s, Ed.D., or Ph.D. program that significantly adds to the body of knowledge on academic advising. A check for $500.00 and a plaque may be awarded in each category at the Annual Conference in fall.

Categories: The Student Research Award may be awarded annually in two categories:
1. Master’s Degree Level
2. Doctoral Degree Level

These one-time awards/scholarships are non-transferrable to another person or activity/event. Individuals may nominate themselves. Current NACADA Board members, NACADA Council members, Administrative Division Chairs, Region Chairs, Advising Community Chairs, Advising Community Cluster Reps, and NACADA Executive Office staff are not eligible for nomination. NACADA’s Executive Office staff does not disclose who is nominated or how many individuals are nominated for any award/scholarship. Because we believe there is considerable strength in diversity, the selection committee strongly encourages applications from groups under-represented in the Association and its leadership.

Eligibility Criteria:
- Any current NACADA member who is completing or has recently (within one year) completed research at either the Master’s level or at the Ed.D. or Ph.D. level that significantly adds to the body of knowledge on academic advising is eligible.

Restrictions:
- Previous winners of this award are not eligible.
- Current members of the Board of Directors and Council are not eligible for consideration for this award. After their term expires, s/he may then be eligible.

Selection Rubric:
See end of document for The Student Research Awards Rubric.

Award Recipient receives:
- A check for $500.
- An engraved award plaque.
- Recognition at the Annual Conference Global Awards and Scholarships Ceremony.
Number of awards/scholarships available:
One (1) Scholarship at the Ph.D. or Ed.D. level
One (1) Scholarship at the Master's level

Application materials required (all documents must be uploaded in PDF format, including letters):
Submit materials via the NACADA Awards online nomination system including the following documents, uploaded in PDF form:

Nomination/Application Letters:
1. A completed Application Submission.
2. A draft of your student research proposal. It may be in the format required by your institution for thesis and/or dissertation proposals, but it must include the following components:
   a. Title
   b. Abstract (200 words or less)
   c. Statement of significance of study within the body of knowledge on advising
   d. Definition of key terms
   e. Statement of limitations of the study
   f. Design of the study
   g. Brief review of relevant literature
   h. Preliminary or actual findings, including implications for advising practice
   i. Schedule for completing the study (if not already completed)
      NOTE: You do not need to submit your entire dissertation. Only relevant pages or chapters are necessary.
3. Letter from your Graduate Program Advisor - a required component of the nomination materials submitted for this award is a signed support letter from your Graduate Program Advisor stating that this student research project is worthy of award consideration. This letter must be printed on institutional letterhead, signed by your Graduate Program Advisor, and uploaded with your application no later than the deadline.

Letters SHOULD NOT exceed three pages, single spaced.

Letters of Support: A required component of the application materials submitted is letters of recommendation. Please include up to three letters of support and/or recommendation. These letters may come from your institution’s officials, administrators, colleagues, employees, supervisors, advisees, or students - anyone who might augment the selection committee’s understanding of the nominee. These letters must be on institutional letterhead. Letters SHOULD NOT exceed two pages, single spaced.

Current Resume or Curriculum Vita: Please limit entries to material that pertains directly to academic advising, presenting relevant information from the nominee/applicant’s overall resume/vita. Please include the nominee/applicant’s current job with either a position description or a list of job responsibilities.
**Nominations must include only original documentation prepared specifically for the NACADA Global Awards Program. Materials intended for other award programs will not be considered.**

**Selection Process:**
Nomination packets are reviewed by subcommittee of NACADA’s Research Committee volunteer readers who, at the time of the review period, read and score the nominations in this category. The Chair of the Research Committee makes the final award selections based on the reviews completed by the volunteer readers.

**Expectations of Award/Scholarship winner:**
It is ideal if the nominee/applicant has the support of their office/department/college/institution in attending the annual conference as the recipient will be recognized and presented their award during the Annual Conference Global Awards and Scholarships Ceremony. Recipients may be asked by NACADA to provide a written testimonial of their conference/event experience including ways in which their career and/or education benefitted from receiving the NACADA Award/Scholarship.
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