

# NSM Best Dissertation Award Application

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Students who want to be considered for the award need to submit the following by the award deadline found on the NSM website:

- a) a committee-approved dissertation to the college, including the signature page, and a hard copy of this form.
- b) a PDF application package emailed to the department Graduate Chair.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UH ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Last Name

Semester: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Admitted to Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
Semester Year

Title of Dissertation:  
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### Committee Members:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

### Checklist:

These items are included in my PDF application package emailed to the department Graduate Faculty Chair.

- Application form  A PDF of a single, most representative publication
- A current CV  A PDF of the dissertation, including the abstract
- Single page summary written in layman's terms of the dissertation research and its significance
- Letter of recommendation from the research advisor \*
- Letter of recommendation from the committee as a whole or a member of the committee who is not a co-advisor \*

\* The letters of recommendation must address scientific impact of the research, quality of the presentation and organization, quality of the scholarship, and actual contribution by the student to the work, in cases where the research was collaborative.

- I have submitted a separate paper copy of my Dissertation to the NSM Office of Academic Affairs (SR 1, Suite 202) to be reviewed by the NSM Readers along with a hard copy of this form.