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Eligibility The Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies offers up to five Distinguished Master's Thesis Prizes to graduating students in thesis-based graduate programs. Each year, one award will be offered in each of the following categories at the Master's level: applied sciences, health sciences, humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.

In addition to receiving a cash prize, the recipients will each be presented with a Citation Certificate at the **Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies Awards Reception in May 2026**.

Eligible theses must have been defended and the final approved version submitted to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies between January 1 and December 31 of the previous calendar year. .

NOTE: For the current competition only students who defended and submitted their master's theses during January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025, are eligible for this competition.

EXCEPTION: The thesis deadline to graduate in February 2026 is January 6, 2026. If a student defends their thesis in 2025 and submits before January 6, 2026, they will be eligible for nomination

Each Faculty/School/College may nominate up to two Master's students to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. In case there are no qualified candidates in a given Faculty/School/College, the Faculty/School/College selection committee may choose not to submit a nominee. The Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies will verify the eligibility of nominees submitted as follows:

- were enrolled full- or part-time in the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies in a Master's program in the year in which the award was tenable;
- have achieved a minimum degree grade point average of 3.5 in their current graduate program; and
- have been nominated by the Faculty/College/School in which their department is housed, and have, in the opinion of the selection committee, submitted the best thesis in their respective categories.

Value A \$1,000.00 cash prize and a Citation Certificate **A cheque will be issued for payment**

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Deadlines February 27

Application Details **The 2025-2026 Application is Now Open!**

Each Faculty/College/School may submit two award nominations to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. **Contact your Faculty/College/School for their internal nomination deadline.**

Each nomination package must include:

- the Nomination Form - please access and download the form from the following link: <https://umanitoba.sharepoint.com/:f/r/sites/um-intranet-graduate-studies/Shared%20Documents/FGPS%20Convocation%20Award%20Nomination%20Forms>
- the award category the nominee should be considered under: applied sciences, health sciences, humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences;

- a letter of support from the Dean of the Faculty/Director of the Faculty/College/School that also indicates the process used by the selection committee to select the nominee;
- a letter from the Graduate Chair of the student's department describing the reasons for the nomination, and why the thesis is viewed as a ground-breaking piece of original work;
- the name and departmental affiliation of the nominee's research supervisor;
- a copy of the abstract of the thesis, not to exceed 350 words in length; and
- a current curriculum vitae for the nominee.

The Faculty/College/School must submit the entire nomination package as a single PDF file via email to:

graduate.awards@umanitoba.ca

Subject Line: University of Manitoba Distinguished Master's Thesis Prize Nomination

The selection committee will be named by the Vice-Provost (Graduate Education) and Dean of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (or designate) and will include the Associate Deans of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

Contact: Allison Aubin, Awards Coordinator graduate.awards@umanitoba.ca

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