

## **OUTSTANDING THESIS AWARD**

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The Faculty of Agriculture Outstanding Thesis Award recognize MSc and PhD students whose thesis research represent original works that have made substantial contributions to their discipline. A maximum of one award will be presented annually in each of the MSc and PhD categories:

- **MSc Thesis Award:** This award recognizes a MSc in Agriculture student who has written an outstanding MSc thesis and whose thesis has made, or is expected to make, a significant contribution to their field. The recipient will receive a monetary award and recognition certificate.
- **PhD Thesis Award:** This award recognizes a PhD in Agricultural Sciences student who has written an outstanding PhD thesis that represents a highly significant contribution to their field of research. The recipient will receive a monetary award and a recognition certificate.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

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- Successful completion of all requirements for the MSc in Agriculture or PhD in Agricultural Sciences program.
- Submission of approved thesis to the Faculty of Graduate studies no more than 18 months prior to the Outstanding Thesis Award Application deadline.
- No academic offenses on their record.

### **DOCUMENTATION TO ACCOMPANY YOUR APPLICATION**

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Applicants are to submit to the Faculty of Agriculture Graduate Studies Office by email ([gradagri@dal.ca](mailto:gradagri@dal.ca)) the following:

- A completed Outstanding Thesis Award application form (bellow).
- A curriculum vitae (2 pages maximum), emphasizing scholarly contributions (e.g. peer-reviewed publications, invited talks) and research awards or recognitions.
- A PDF copy of the MSc or PhD thesis as approved by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, i.e. with signatures.
- PDF copies of peer-reviewed publications derived from the thesis.

You are to arrange for the following to be submitted to the Faculty of Agriculture Graduate Studies Office by email ([gradagri@dal.ca](mailto:gradagri@dal.ca)):

- Two letters of reference, one of which must be from the primary thesis advisor. Letters should emphasize:
  - the originality of the research
  - the impact of the research, whether to the scholarly discipline, stakeholders, policy makers, or society at large
  - the student's independence and leadership in conceiving, conducting, and completing the research

### **DEADLINE**

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**April 30 each year**

**APPLICATION — OUTSTANDING THESIS AWARD (DEADLINE IS 30 APRIL EACH YEAR)**

FAMILY NAME:	
GIVEN NAMES:	
CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS:	
E-MAIL:	Mobile No.
CITIZENSHIP: <input type="checkbox"/> CANADIAN CITIZEN <input type="checkbox"/> PERMANENT RESIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:	

PROGRAM (MSc OR PhD)	
START DATE (MONTH, YEAR)	
DEFENCE DATE (MONTH, YEAR) *	
FINAL THESIS ACCEPTANCE (MONTH, YEAR) *	
DEPARTMENT	
PRIMARY SUPERVISOR(S)	
THESIS TITLE	

\* Will be confirmed by the Graduate Studies office

REFEREES (LETTERS FROM TWO (2) REFEREES ARE SENT TO PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF TENURE)		
NAME	POSITION/DEPARTMENT	INSTITUTION

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS WITH THIS APPLICATION SENT BY APPLICANT (CHECK BOXES TO INDICATE INCLUSION OF ATTACHMENT)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CURRICULUM VITAE (TWO-PAGE MAXIMUM)
<input type="checkbox"/>	PDF COPY OF APPROVED THESIS
<input type="checkbox"/>	PDF COPIES OF PUBLICATIONS DERIVED FROM THE THESIS

NAME OF APPLICANT

SIGNATURE