

FCE Awards for Outstanding PhD Theses

Objective

To recognize outstanding PhD students in the Faculty of Construction and Environment (FCE) who have distinguished themselves with the quality of their theses for the PhD degree at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU), the Faculty has established the 'FCE Awards for Outstanding PhD Theses'.

Eligibility

Only full-time and part-time PhD students registered under FCE whose PhD theses' overall quality were rated as "excellent" by the Board of Examiners (BoE) concerned and whose degrees have been ratified by the Research Committee (RC) between 1 July of the preceding year and 30 June of the application year are eligible to be nominated for the academic year concerned. The student's registration period for the research programme should not have exceeded the University's stipulated maximum period of study for a PhD programme.

Nomination Procedures

When a thesis has been rated "excellent" by the BoE concerned, and the supervisor(s) of the same thesis consider(s) it worthy of nomination, the Chief Supervisor shall make the initial recommendation on the Nomination Form FCE/OTA, which can be downloaded from the Faculty Staff Intranet: <http://www.polyu.edu.hk/fce/intranet-staff.html>

The nomination together with a copy of completed Form RC/44 (BoE report) should be submitted to the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) by the specific deadline.

DRCs should select and prioritize the nominations for the consideration of the Working Group of the Faculty Research Committee (FRCWG). Each department can nominate 1 student or more per year on the condition that the number of nominations from a department would not exceed 10% of the number of PhD degrees ratified by RC in the period concerned for the department. Should the 10% rule leads to a number with decimal figures, DRCs may round off the figure. DRCs should submit the prioritized applications with no equal ranking to the Faculty Office by the specific deadline.

Nominee(s) supported by the DRC concerned will be invited to deliver an oral presentation (or via internet) to the FRCWG. Nominations supported by the FRCWG are subject to the final approval of the Faculty Dean.

The Award

A cash prize of HK\$10,000 and a certificate signed by the Faculty Dean will be issued to each awardee. Announcement of results will be made annually in October, with presentation of certificates at the Faculty Congregation and Prize Presentation Ceremony.