

Graduate Student Excellence Award

The Purdue Graduate Student Government (PGSG) is sponsoring a Graduate Student Excellence Award to be given during the PGSG Spring Gala on Saturday, April 5, 2008. The Gala is the kick-off event for Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation (GPSA) Week, April 7-11, 2008.

Purpose

The purpose of the Graduate Student Excellence Award is to recognize outstanding scholarship and professionalism by Graduate Students at Purdue University. The award will be given to **one Master's student and to one Ph.D. student** who exemplify excellence in the three missions of Purdue University: Discovery, Engagement, and Learning.

Selection Criteria

Discovery Achievements. Applicant must demonstrate excellence in research, technical awards, patents, publications, co-ops/internships, etc.

Learning Achievements. Applicant must demonstrate how they participate in the Learning mission of Purdue. Teaching assistantships, awards, honors, etc. may be used as evidence

Engagement at Purdue University. Applicant must demonstrate their level of engagement to both their department within the university as well as the contributions made to Purdue University as a whole.

Engagement in the Community. Applicant should exhibit a community interest, including volunteer work in the community and projects that benefit the community.

Organizational Involvement. Student organizations and clubs, honor societies and organizations, departmental organizations, etc. all contribute to a nominee's professional excellence.

Submission Materials

- CV
- One letter of recommendation from faculty, department head or Purdue professionals. Recommendations will not be accepted from students, relatives or friends.
- Completed application form

Submission Deadline Date: March 27, 2008 (5:00 PM)

Method of Submission: Submit all materials via e-mail to:

Chris Rhea
crhea@purdue.edu

If there are any questions or concerns, email Chris Rhea.

Nature of the GSE Award

Winners of both the Master's level and Ph.D. level awards will be notified by March 28, 2008. The awards will be presented to the recipients at the PGSG Spring Gala on Saturday, April 5. Each winner will receive two tickets to the Gala and will be formally recognized at that event. If you submit an application, please keep the Saturday night of the Gala open in the event that you win so you can receive your award in person.

Graduate Student Excellence (GSE) Award Application Form

Name _____

Email Address _____

Local Address _____

Local Phone Number _____

Department/Program _____

GPA _____

Letter of Recommendation has been requested from _____

If the items below are not included as part of your CV, please address them in 5 pages or less. If they are included in your CV, please indicate which page.

1. *List extra curricular activities and offices held within the past 5 years.*

2. *List presentations given at professional meetings, extension talks and outreach programs that represent Purdue University.*

3. *Publications and Grants (proposed and/or received).*

4. *Describe topics of research.*

5. *Internships within the past 5 years (include any study abroad programs if applicable).*

6. *Discuss courses taught as a teaching assistant or duties as a research assistant.*

7. *Discuss your future aspirations.*