

MEMO

TO: Deans, Chairs and Directors of Graduate Studies

FROM: Stephen Shih, Associate Dean and Director

SUBJECT: Outstanding Thesis Award

DATE: November 18, 2021

The Graduate School is seeking nominations for the Outstanding Thesis Award. This award is to recognize and reward distinguished scholarship and research at the master's level.

As outlined in the guidelines, the following rules apply:

- (1) Only one thesis from each master's program may be nominated.
- (2) The nominated thesis must have led to graduation during the 2020-2021 academic year (August 2020, December 2020, May 2021 graduations).
- (3) The nomination form is to be completed, with the student's approval, by the thesis adviser. This form can be downloaded from the Graduate School website at <https://gradschool.siu.edu/about-us/forms.php>.

Please submit the following in one electronic copy to gradschl@siu.edu: Nomination form, completed thesis, (including abstract and vita), a detailed statement of the nature and importance of the thesis research, and any supporting documents.

If you do not have a thesis from your program that you deem is truly outstanding, please do not feel compelled to make a nomination. The deadline for submitting completed nominations is **Friday, January 28, 2022**.

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Bennett, donnab@siu.edu.