

It's Time to Nominate the Outstanding Graduate Students for 2010!

TO: TWU Administrators, Faculty, Staff and Students
Dallas, Denton and Houston

FROM: Patricia Edwards
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RE: Outstanding Student Awards

DATE: February 1, 2010

Each year the Texas Woman's University Former Students Association selects one or more Master's level and Doctoral level students to receive the Outstanding Graduate Student Award. The recipients are selected on the basis of academic excellence, involvement in extracurricular activities and contributions to the life of the University. Only graduate students with graduation dates of December 2009 or May 2010, or those that have completed course requirements by August 2010, are eligible for this year's awards.

Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to nominate deserving graduate students. So that no eligible students are overlooked, students may submit their own names for consideration. Completed packets are due in the Student Union office no later than **March 8, 2010**. All awards from Dallas, Denton, and Houston will be presented during Honors Convocation on Thursday, April 22, 2010, on the Denton Campus.

Nominate a deserving student today!

- It's an opportunity to showcase a student's achievement in your discipline to the university-at-large.
- It's an opportunity to mentor your students in leadership.
- It's an opportunity for University wide recognition of the students in your discipline.

Nominations and application packets are attached and can be downloaded from <http://www.twu.edu/o-sl/csd/Forms.html>. Completed packets must be submitted to the Student Union, P.O. Box 425379, Denton, TX 76204 (Student Union, Room 209) by **March 8, 2010**. Incomplete or late application packets will not be considered.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARDS FOR MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL STUDENTS

Purpose of Award	To honor at least one Master's and at least one Doctoral Student for Excellence in Scholarship and Service
Eligibility	To be eligible, students must be projected to graduate in December 2009 or May 2010 or have completed degree requirements by August 2010 academic year. They must have a minimum overall GPA of 3.50.
Criteria Considered for Award Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graduate grade point average• Three letters of reference that address professional accomplishments and potential• Statement of professional goals• Professional presentations, publications, performances, or exhibits• Scholarships and Awards• Honor societies• Service to Texas Woman's University, the profession, and the community
Nomination Procedure	Faculty, Staff, and/or students are eligible to nominate qualified students. A letter of recommendation from your adviser is required. Graduate students may also nominate their peers or themselves.
Deadline for Nomination Letters	Nomination and application packets must be received by the Student Union, P.O. Box 425379, Denton, TX 76204 or hand delivered to the Student Union, Room 209, by 5:00P.M., March 8, 2010 . Direct any questions to Kyle Voyles (940-898-3641) or Patricia Edwards (940-898-3980).
Deadlines for Completed Application Materials	All application materials included must be completed by the nominees and received in the Student Union by 5:00P.M., March 8, 2010 . For application questions please contact Kyle Voyles at 94.898.3641 or Jvoyles@twu.edu.

OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT AWARD APPLICATION TWU FORMER STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Student ID # _____

Daytime Phone # _____ Evening/Cell Phone #: _____

Current Address: _____

Email: _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Masters _____ Doctoral _____ Overall Graduate GPA _____

Major _____ Minor _____ Advisor _____

Starting date in TWU's Graduate Program: _____

Expected Month/Year of Graduation: _____

NOMINEES MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

1. **ONE** page Statement of Professional Goals
2. Current Transcript
3. Current Vitae/Resume (Include the following and remember to date all activities, honors, etc.
 - a. Professional Presentations, Publications, Performances, or Exhibits

- b. Scholarships and Awards
 - c. Honor Societies
 - d. Membership and Offices held in Professional Societies, University Committees, and/or Student Associations
 - e. Work History
4. Service to Texas Woman's University, to professional organizations, and to the community
 5. **THREE** Letters of Professional Reference (one must be from your faculty/major advisor).
 6. **Master's Level:** The nominee must document an approved thesis prospectus, a professional paper topic, or, in the Performing Arts, a projected required professional presentation.
 7. **Doctoral Level:** The nominee must document an approved dissertation prospectus, or, in the Performing Arts, a projected graduate professional presentation.

OPTIONAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Copies of Professional Articles or Grant Proposals
2. Program Copies for Presentations and Workshops/Symposia
3. No more than a **ONE** page Abstract for each graduate project

APPLICATION AGREEMENT

I certify that the information provided in my application is complete and accurate. My signature authorizes the selection committee to verify any of these data. I understand that all materials must be submitted by 5:00 p.m., March 8, 2010.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

To be completed by Nominator:

Nominator Signature _____ Title _____

Printed Name _____

Email Address _____ Area Code/Phone _____