

Vice-Chancellor's Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis

Code:	P820
Faculty:	Arts Business Creative Arts & Industries Education Engineering Law Liggins Institute Medical & Health Sciences Science
Applicable study:	PhD or other Doctoral degree
Closing date:	By nomination
Tenure:	Prize
For:	Prize
Number on offer:	Up to five
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	\$6,000

Description

The Prize was established on the recommendation of Research Committee in 1999 to recognise excellence among the University doctoral research students.

Selection process

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office.
- The Prize will be awarded by the Board of Graduate Studies

Regulations

1. The Prize will be known as the Vice-Chancellor's Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis.
2. A Prize may be awarded to the student or students who, in the opinion of the sub-committee formed by the Board of Graduate Studies to judge the nominations, completed the best doctoral thesis in the previous year.
3. Up to five Prizes will be awarded annually to the value of \$6,000 each and winners will also receive a certificate.
4. To be eligible for consideration, a student must have been enrolled at the University of Auckland for a PhD or other doctoral degree for which a research thesis is required, the thesis must have been submitted and examined in accordance with University regulations, and the award of the degree approved by Senate between 1 January and 31 December of the previous year.
5. Nominations must be made to the Board of Graduate Studies through the faculty in which the student was enrolled, and should include the thesis abstract, supporting statements from the student's supervisor(s), and supporting statements from at least one external referee. If examiners' reports are included, these must be accompanied by specific permission of the examiner to use them for the purpose of nomination for this Prize. Full details of

requirements are contained in the Guidelines for Faculties which are circulated to faculties each year with the call for nominations.

6. Nominations will be assessed principally in terms of the quality of the research, its contribution to the relevant field of knowledge, and timely completion.
7. The Prize will be awarded by the Board of Graduate Studies.
8. In the event of a tie, the Board of Graduate Studies shall determine, in consultation with the Senate, if a Prize may be shared.
9. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these regulations, in consultation with the Senate, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Prize.