

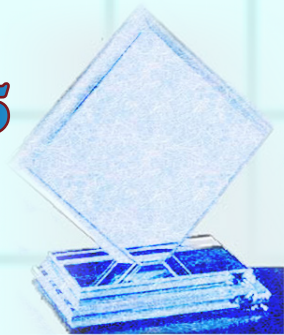


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Introduction

Over 46 years of intense development, Kuwait University has created an impeccable environment, infrastructure and facilities, easily compatible with the best in the world for promoting scientific research, creativity and innovation. Naturally, the stimulus emerging from these fundamentals and facilities has encouraged our Graduate student population to be dynamically involved in scientific ventures, requiring the preparation, implementation and completion of Master's and Ph.D. studies in different specializations.

Rationale

Considering that the foundations of creative talent, scientific thinking and experimentation evolves from such initial research ventures, it imposes an immense responsibility on the institution to recognize and nurture such talent early towards laying impeccable

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foundations for the sustenance and growth of a dynamic community of young researchers, who could be our potential scientists of tomorrow. This purpose makes it imperative that such budding talent and creative skills be given due recognition and encouragement towards amplifying their skills further through advanced Master's, Ph.D., and scholarly studies in the sphere of higher education to support the enhancement of careers and abilities, through the pursuit of research in diverse scientific specializations.

The Need

This ultimate purpose provided the legitimate basis for the Research Sector to focus attention on **Postgraduate Students**, pursuing research for their Master's and Ph.D. studies, and achieving distinguished results. The **Graduate Students Project Prize** is primarily instituted by the Research Sector to accord due recognition to those students, whose research efforts lead to scientific acclaim and meritorious accomplishments. It is expected that such recognition would stimulate a culture

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of research and training among postgraduate students at Kuwait University, with encouraging prospects for developing a reservoir of young creative minds who exhibit skills and potential for scientific innovation and discovery.

The **Graduate Students Project Prize** is awarded annually by the Vice President for Research to Graduate Students in recognition of their distinguished research, and as an appreciation and incentive for their meritorious research accomplishments.

Objectives

The fundamental aim of the Graduate Theses/ Dissertations Prize is to:

- **Recognize and reward Graduate students** for their meritorious research accomplishments through their successfully completed thesis.
- **Stimulate the culture of scientific creativity at the Graduate level** so that students develop early an aptitude of scientific and analytical thinking through

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experimentation and research, which is essential for widening their intellectual and scientific horizons.

Prize

- A total of **six prizes** are awarded annually in **Sciences** and **Humanities**: *Four* for Master's Degree, and *Two* for Ph.D.
- **Each Prize includes:**
 - **Certificate of Merit.**
 - **Cash Prize** (KD 750/- for Master's and KD 1000/- for Ph.D.).

Eligibility

- All Graduate students, who achieve distinguished results in their thesis are eligible to apply for the Graduate Students Project Prize in the broad fields of Sciences and Humanities.
- The eligibility requirements necessitate that the candidate must be a registered, full time Graduate Student of Kuwait University.

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Requirements

1. The applicant(s) must have developed or innovated a new idea for research for Master's or Ph.D. thesis/dissertation.
2. The thesis or dissertation must be implemented and completed within Kuwait University.
3. The thesis or dissertation must be evaluated and should yield outputs of scientific value.

Procedures

1. The Vice President for Research **invites Nominations** from the Graduate students concerning their theses/dissertations for the prize by **October** of each year through requisite posters, announcements and circulars.
2. The potential candidate for Graduate Student Project Prize must fill the standard **Nomination Form** for the Graduate Project Prize, and submit it along with the thesis/dissertation and **results** of the **Graduate**

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Studies Deanery, to the Vice President for Research **within one month of the announcement.**

3. The Office of the Vice President for Research **reviews all Nominations**, along with the **enclosed reports**, and selects **six best theses/dissertations, three each in Sciences and Humanities fields**, in the light of the awards criteria, approved by the Deans Committee in May 2008.
4. The Vice President for Research **declares** the winners of the Graduate Students **Theses/Dissertations** for Master's and Ph.D. Prize, by **March** of each year.
5. The **Decision** of the Vice President for Prize Winning Graduate **Theses/Dissertations** is **Final and Binding.**

Prize Distribution

The prizes are awarded annually at a Special Ceremony, under the patronage of the President / Vice President for Research, Kuwait University.

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NOMINATION FORM

Sciences Stream Humanities Stream

PERSONAL DATA

Name of the Student

Student ID #

Department

Faculty

Academic Program

Year joined University

Thesis/Dissertation Title

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• *Thesis/Dissertation Started (year)*

• *Thesis/Dissertation Completed (year)*

• *Thesis/Dissertation Report Enclosed* *Yes* *No*

If No, specify why

• *Thesis/Dissertation Evaluated* *Yes* *No*

(Note: The Nominee may include any other data in support of his/her candidature).

Signature

(Graduate Student)

Submission Date

Vice President for Research Review Report

Candidate's Name

Rating Good Very Good Excellent

Remarks

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Awarded Prize Yes No

Prize Rank 1st 2nd 3rd

Stream Sciences Humanities

Signature

(Vice President for Research)

Date

Signature

(President)