# Qatar University Graduate Research Award

#### **Purpose:**

The Qatar University Graduate Research Award acknowledges and rewards excellence in graduate research and scholarly activity.

## The Award:

The Graduate Research Award is a highly prestigious award and is awarded on a competitive basis. The recipient will receive an award and a certificate. In addition, graduate awards help students accumulate points towards the "Distinguished Graduate Student Criteria". Students are eligible to apply for the award according to the procedure and deadlines stated in the guidelines.

This award has 2 categories: The Graduate Research Award for Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Graduate Research Award for Sciences.

## **Eligibility:**

To be eligible for the Graduate Research Award, the applicant must:

- 1. Be a full-time graduate student
- 2. Be in good academic standing
- 3. Have published two (2) research papers OR have published one (1) research paper with evidence of acceptance for the second research paper (all publications must be in no less than Q2 journals or its equivalent.)
- 4. The applicant must be the primary author of the research paper (s)

Submit all required documentation by the relevant deadlines (see below)

#### **Application/Nomination Process and Important Deadlines:**

| A student or any member of the student's thesis committee may submit a nomination through the Graduate Awards Application system.   | April 14, 2022 |
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| The Associate Dean of Research and<br>Graduate Studies shall establish an award<br>committee responsible for the review of all<br>applications.<br>The Associate Dean shall nominate one<br>winner to the Office of Graduate studies<br>through the Graduate Awards Application<br>system | May 26th 2022  |

## Each application packet should include the following:

- 1. Current academic transcript demonstrating that the applicant is good standing
- 2. Complete research paper(s)
- 3. Confirmation of acceptance of publication (if applicable)
- 4. CV emphasizing the applicant's research activity (i.e. conference presentations, publications, awards, grants)
- 5. At least two recommendation letters from faculty members familiar with the applicant's work.

Application materials will not be accepted after the posted deadline. It is the student's responsibility to make sure that all materials have been uploaded on the GLS Awards Application system.

## Criteria for Selection:

Applications will be evaluated by the award committee according to the following criteria:

- 1. Overall quality and clarity of the research paper
- 2. Importance of the research and impact factor
- 3. The student's academic record
- 4. Quality of the applicant's CV
- 5. Strength of the letters of support

#### Award Announcement:

The Graduate Research Award will be announced at the Annual Research Forum.