

# VICE-CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH SUPERVISION



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## NOMINATION GUIDELINES

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The information regarding this award should be read in conjunction with the [Vice-Chancellor's Award Guideline](#).

### What is the Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research Supervision?

The Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research Supervision recognises ongoing commitment and dedication to successful Higher Degree Research (HDR) candidate supervision. Two Awards will be offered:

- One for Excellence in Research Supervision for Emerging Researchers (Levels A-C), and
- One for Excellence in Research Supervision (Levels D-E).

The winners will receive a certificate and a cash prize and will be formally acknowledged at the annual Vice-Chancellor's Awards ceremony held in August.

Awards will only be issued for nominations which demonstrate exceptional and outstanding achievements.

### Who is eligible?

This award is open to academic staff who:

- Are employed at >0.5FTE by the University on either a permanent basis or a fixed term contract of at least two years, and who have been employed for a period of no less than 12 months prior to the date of nomination.
- An individual is not eligible for this award if they are a past recipient of a Vice-Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research Supervision for that same award; however, a past recipient of the Emerging Supervisor Award (Levels A-C) may become eligible for the Senior Supervisor Award (Levels D-E); and
- A UOW Elements Profile which is complete (if you have not yet logged in to Elements, the [UOW Elements Library Guide](#) can help you to get started) and an ORCID record that is up to date.

### Outcome

The Vice-Chancellor's Research Awards Ranking Committee will consider all eligible nominations and make the final decision regarding the award winners as per the Vice-Chancellor's Awards timeline. Both successful and unsuccessful nominees will be notified. The winners will be announced at the annual Vice-Chancellor's Awards ceremony held in August.

### Equity and Diversity

The University is committed to workplace equity, diversity and inclusion and encourages nomination of suitable candidates from different backgrounds for this award.

### UOW Values

The nomination must provide an overview on how the nominee reflects the values of the University. These values are as follows:

#### Intellectual openness

We are driven and determined, yet collegial and ethical in all that we do. We are always looking to serve our communities and share our knowledge and expertise with them for mutual betterment.

### **Excellence and dedication**

We work tirelessly to excel in our research and education, and to address complex, real-world problems in partnership with our communities.

### **Empowerment and academic freedom**

We celebrate the freedom to have different opinions and different ideas. We encourage the asking of difficult questions and discovery of innovative solutions.

### **Mutual respect and diversity**

We aspire to set the standard for inclusiveness, diversity and equity. We welcome – and benefit from – the diversity of our communities within Australia and internationally. We will continue to champion Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Reconciliation.

### **Recognition and performance**

We celebrate the hard work and dedication of our staff and recognise and reward their achievements. We expect all our staff to meet the challenges of our changing world by seizing opportunities that deliver continuous improvement.

Supervisors nominated for this award will also be assessed on measures such as:

- Awards and prizes to HDR candidates
- On-time completions
- Number of HDR candidates supervised or co-supervised
- Evidence of continuing professional development
- Contributions to supervision practice by mentoring and developing others
- Evidence of supervising in a manner consistent with the national principles of research integrity and in the development of a strong culture of responsible research in students

## **HIGHER DEGREE RESEARCH CANDIDATE GUIDELINES**

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Higher Degree Research candidates wishing to support their supervisor's nomination can:

- Nominate their current or previous principal or co-supervisor using the HDR Candidate Testimonial template;
- Nominate more than one supervisor with a separate Testimonial for each nominee;
- Nominate their supervisor as an Alumni if they have completed their HDR degree in the last 12 months;
- Email testimonials to [dean-gradresearch@uow.edu.au](mailto:dean-gradresearch@uow.edu.au) by 17 April 2023.

## **NOMINATED SUPERVISOR GUIDELINES**

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Eligible nominated supervisors will be invited to submit a supporting statement, using the Nominated Supervisor Statement template.

## **FACULTY DELEGATE GUIDELINES**

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The Faculty/AIIM Delegate statement may be provided by ONE of the following:

- Associate Dean Research (ADR)
- Associate Dean – Higher Degree Research (AD-HDR)
- Head of Postgraduate Studies (HPS)
- Head of School (HOS)

The Faculty Delegate will be invited to submit a supporting statement for all eligible nominations, using the Faculty Delegate Supporting Statement template.

## **GRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOOL GUIDELINES**

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The Graduate Research School will:

- Collate all HDR Candidate Testimonials
- Advise eligible supervisors when they receive at least two HDR Candidate nominations and provide instructions regarding the Nominated Supervisor Statement
- Collate all Nominated Supervisor Statements and advise Faculty Delegates when their Supporting Statement is required
- Submit final nominations and relevant data to the Selection Committee;
- Coordinate with the Selection Committee and PODS to provide outcomes to nominees.