THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Outstanding Research Student Supervisor Award

The Outstanding Research Student Supervisor Award of The University of Hong Kong is to accord recognition to supervisors of research postgraduate students who, through their highly effective supervisory guidance, have particularly benefitted their students in the pursuit of research excellence.

Selection criteria

2. Awards are determined by the University Research Committee, on the recommendation of a Selection Committee set up by the Graduate School. The Award is open to teachers of all grades who have served as supervisors of research postgraduate students. Selection will be guided by the following criteria:

(i) Career accomplishments of students after graduation;
(ii) Quality of guidance and supervision as discerned from comments to be solicited from current research postgraduate students and graduates for this purpose;
(iii) Completion rate and completion time of studies;
(iv) Research outputs of students — including the quality and quantity (as shown, for example, in the number and quality of outputs to which the supervisor has made a contribution) and the impact of the research; and
(v) Number of research students graduated relative to years of service in post.

3. The Selection Committee should take note of the disciplinary difference in evaluating the applications/nominations. For example, some disciplines are smaller and may not have as many research students admitted each year. Applications/nominations from such disciplines should not be adversely affected by a relatively lower number of research students graduated.

Method of Selection

4. Supervisors of research student can apply to be considered when applications are called for. Research postgraduate students are also eligible to nominate their supervisor for this Award, by writing directly to the Dean of the relevant Faculty, giving the reasons for the nomination and enclosing an application form completed by the supervisor. The Selection Committee will consider applications/nominations on the basis of the groupings of academic disciplines listed below in the light of supervisory practices common to each group:

(a) Faculty of Dentistry
    Faculty of Medicine
(b) Faculty of Architecture
    Faculty of Engineering
    Faculty of Science
(c) Faculty of Arts
    Faculty of Business and Economics
    Faculty of Education
    Faculty of Law
    Faculty of Social Sciences
5. Notwithstanding that the most important factor in determining the awards is the merits of the applications/nominations, the Selection Committee should also consider other factors such as gender and discipline balance in making the final recommendations.

6. Award decisions by the University Research Committee are final and not subject to appeal, except in cases of alleged procedural irregularities.

Number of Awards

7. The number of awards to be made each year may vary, depending on how many candidates are deemed to meet the award criteria.

Nature of Award

8. The award will include:
   (i) The title and a certificate;
   (ii) A monetary award of HK$25,000;
   (iii) The monetary award is to be used entirely to further the research of the individual, thereby to advance their research credentials;
   (iv) A Type B research postgraduate place; and
   (v) A university announcement of the Award(s).

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