



## MAHIDOL UNIVERSITY

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### Announcement

The Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University

Innovative Thesis Award, Fiscal Year 2019

Thailand 4.0 is a government-generated policy that focuses on transforming economic structure to 'Value-Based Economy.' This policy endeavors to encourage manufacturing sectors to produce high quality innovative products, to promote higher technologies and creativity in focused industries, and to upgrade service system by equipping workers with knowledge and high-value skills. 'Innovation' is the key term that is believed to help move the country forward. Thus, the aim of this model policy is to support the exploitation of innovations in all targeted sectors such as industrial sector, economic sector, agricultural sector, service sector, civil society sector, etc. Realising the importance of innovation, the Faculty of Graduate Studies hence offers Distinguished Innovation Thesis Award, Fiscal Year 2019 to honour remarkable and excellent innovations of the students

#### 1. Objectives

- 1.1. To promote the production of high-quality innovations for the development of the country's economy.
- 1.2. To enhance the reputation of the relevant graduate programs and Mahidol University.
- 1.3. To recognise the students' and their advisor's innovation excellence.

#### 2. Criteria for Innovative Thesis Award

2.1 The innovation discovered must be part of thesis conducted by a Master's or Doctoral student of Mahidol University graduating in the academic year of 2016-2017 or currently studying in the Graduate Program of Mahidol University.

2.2. The innovation must be applicable in many different sectors, particularly industrial sector, economic sector, agricultural sector, service sector, civil society sector, etc.

2.3. The innovation should have a potential to be patented and licensed.

### 3. Nomination Procedures

#### 3.1. Eligible candidates

- 3.1.1. The candidate must be a Master's or Doctoral student of Mahidol University graduating in the academic year of 2016 -2017 or currently studying in the Graduate Program of Mahidol University.
- 3.1.2. The candidate must have got official approval from his/her major advisor.
- 3.1.3. The candidate's Innovative Thesis Award must be original and has not been previously nominated to Distinguished Thesis Award.

3.2. The application documents must be submitted to the Faculty of Graduate Studies before the deadline. (Please download the documents from <http://www.grad.mahidol.ac.th/th/scholarships/>)

#### 3.2.1 Deadlines for Nominations for the Innovative Thesis Award

Procedures	Period
Submission of application form and documents	February 15 – March 29, 2019
Announcement of the shortlisted candidates	May 2019
Oral presentation by the selected candidates	June 2019
Announcement of the Distinguished Innovative Thesis Awards	July 2019
Awards will be given for successful candidates on the Orientation Day of New Graduate Students, Academic Year 2019	August 8, 2019

#### 3.2.2 The required documents are

- 1) An application form for the Innovative Thesis Award.

The candidate must identify specific details of his/her innovation, including the rationale and importance, the objectives, the duration (in years and months), the budget (please identify the amount and the source of scholarship), the contributions, publications, and applicability.

- The candidates from an international program must complete an English application form.
- The candidates from a regular program may complete either a Thai or English form.

- 2) A video recording of three-minute presentation stored in a compact disc.

Unless the candidate completes the appropriate application form and/ or provides the required documents in item 1 and 2 mentioned above, the Faculty of Graduate Studies reserves the right to disqualify the candidate for the award nomination.

3.3. The Candidate who passes the screening selection must give an oral presentation on the date set by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.

3.3.1. The candidate from an international program must give the presentation in English.

3.3.2. The candidate from a regular program may give the presentation either in Thai or in English.

#### 4. Innovative Thesis Awards

##### 4.1. Awards

Awards	Awardees	Major Advisor	Program Director
Distinguished Innovative Thesis Award (1 Award)	100,000 Baht and a trophy	100,000 Baht and a trophy	A trophy
Outstanding Innovative Thesis Award (2 Awards)	50,000 Baht and a trophy	50,000 Baht and a trophy	A trophy
Excellent Innovative Thesis Award (3 Awards)	25,000 Baht and a trophy	25,000 Baht and a trophy	A trophy

\*Remarks: All candidates who pass the screening selection and give an oral presentation, will obtain a certificate.

4.2. The Faculty of Graduate Studies Committee's decision on Innovative Thesis Awards is considered final.

#### 5. Criteria for Selection

As mentioned in item 2 above

#### 6. Additional Enquiries

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