



## MEMO

TO: Deans, Directors, and Coordinators of Graduate Studies

FROM: Karen Jones, Associate Dean & Director of the Graduate School

SUBJECT: Outstanding Thesis Award

DATE: September 2, 2025

The Graduate School is seeking nominations for the Outstanding Thesis Award. This award is to recognize and reward distinguished scholarship, research, and creative work at the master's level.

As outlined in the guidelines, the following rules apply:

- (1) Only one thesis from each master's program may be nominated.
- (2) The nominated thesis must have led to graduation during the 2024-2025 academic year (August 2024, December 2024, May 2025 graduations).
- (3) The nomination form is to be completed, with the student's approval, by the thesis advisor. This form can be downloaded from the Graduate School website at <https://siu.edu/admissions/graduate/resources/forms.php>.

Please submit the following in one electronic copy to [gradschl@siu.edu](mailto:gradschl@siu.edu): Nomination form, completed thesis, (including abstract and vita), a detailed statement of the nature and importance of the thesis research or creative work, and any supporting documents.

If you do not have a thesis from your program that you deem is truly outstanding, please do not feel compelled to make a nomination. The deadline for submitting completed nominations is **Friday, October 10, 2025**.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Rose Moroz at [rmtmoroz@siu.edu](mailto:rmtmoroz@siu.edu).