



UGA College of Engineering Outstanding Graduate Student Research Award

The College of Engineering (CENGR) is pleased to announce the availability of the Outstanding Graduate Student Research Award. This award recognizes Ph.D. students in the College of Engineering who have demonstrated exceptional research productivity, innovation, and impact. The recipient will receive a monetary award of \$500, depending on the availability of funds.

Criteria include but are not limited to:

- Demonstrates research excellence and productivity through peer-reviewed publications, conference proceedings, invited talks, patents or disclosures, and impactful technical reports.
- Develops novel methods, models, or technologies with clear potential for advancing the field.
- Presents at major venues, contributes to successful proposals, and engages in meaningful collaboration across disciplines or research teams.
- Mentors undergraduate, master's, or junior graduate students and contributes to a positive research environment.
- Participates in professional development activities such as workshops, seminars, or student organizations.

Eligibility

- Nominees must be currently enrolled Ph.D. students in the College of Engineering at any stage of the program.
- Must be actively engaged in research under the supervision of a College of Engineering faculty advisor.
- Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.

Nomination Process

- Nominations may be submitted by major professor or by self-nomination.
- Nominations can be made at [this link](#).
- Nominations will be accepted until 5:00 pm, February 6th, 2026 (Friday).

Upon receipt of nominations, the CENGR Faculty Honorifics Committee will contact nominees to request a dossier of achievements relevant to this award.

Dossier Requirements

Submit as a single PDF (maximum 10 pages, including appendices/letters):

- Cover Letter (1-page max) describing research activities and accomplishments.
- Current CV (2-page max) including publications, presentations, and awards.
- Evidence of research contributions (e.g., abstracts, manuscripts, project summaries).
- Letters of Support (minimum 1, maximum 3) from faculty advisors or collaborators.
- Supporting documents and appendices.
- Dossiers must be submitted by 5:00 PM on February 25, 2026, via the submission link that will be provided later.

Selection and Recognition

- Dossiers will be evaluated by the CENGR Faculty Honorific Committee.
- The recipient will be honored at the CENGR Celebration of Excellence.