UGA College of Engineering
Outstanding Master's Research Award

The College of Engineering (CENGR) is pleased to announce the availability of the Outstanding Master's Research Award. This award recognizes Master of Science (thesis) students who have demonstrated exceptional research productivity, innovation, and impact in engineering. The recipient will receive a monetary award of $500, depending on the availability of funds.

Criteria include but are not limited to:
- Demonstrated research excellence and productivity through peer-reviewed publications, conference papers, posters, patents, or software releases.
- Evidence of innovation and originality in developing new methods, models, systems, or technologies that advance the field.
- Impact and visibility of research contributions shown through citations, awards, invited presentations, or adoption of results.
- Active engagement and collaboration within research teams and across disciplines.
- Professional growth and mentorship activities such as guiding undergraduate students or contributing to a positive research environment.

Eligibility
- Nominee must be a current M.S. (thesis) student in a College of Engineering program.
- Must be actively engaged in faculty-supervised research in the College of Engineering.
- Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.

Nomination Process
- Nominations may be submitted by faculty advisor 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 (1–2 pages) summarizing contributions, innovation, impact, and role.
- Curriculum Vitae (up to 3 pages) highlighting publications, presentations, awards, and collaborations.
- Selected works or evidence of impact such as accepted papers, abstracts, patent filings, or notable presentations.
- Letters of support (maximum 2) from major professor, collaborators, or committee members.
- 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.