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Vice-chancellor's gold medal for the best postgraduate student – 2025

Applications are invited from all PhD and M.Phil. students who are scheduled to graduate at the Convocation in December 2025 for the above award. The application form and eligibility criteria are provided below.

Duly completed applications, together with all supporting documents, must be submitted to the address given below on or before 30.09.2025.

Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

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15.09.2025

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S GOLD MEDAL FOR THE BEST POSTGRADUATE STUDENT

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Research degree (MPhil/PhD) holders who will be graduated at the forthcoming convocation are eligible to apply for the award.
2. An MPhil holder shall complete the degree within 42 months (36 months + 6 months) and a PhD holder shall complete the degree within 60 months (54 months + 6 months) to be eligible to apply
3. Applicants shall prepare a self-evaluation according to the given format to be submitted with the application
4. Only the facts relevant to the Postgraduate degree and the thesis will be considered in evaluation of applications. (Qualifications completed after the closing date of the applications will not be considered for the evaluation)
5. Publications in fake/predatory journals shall not be claimed in the self-evaluation. If any Publication from Fake/Predatory journals is included, the applicant will be disqualified
6. Candidate should attach the necessary documentary evidence to prove each fact he/she claims marks for. **If the candidate fails to provide such proofs, the relevant fact/competency will not be considered in the evaluation.**
7. Candidates with MPhil degrees shall obtain a minimum of **210 marks** to be qualified for the award. Candidates with PhD degrees shall obtain a minimum of **270 marks** to be qualified for the award
8. Applications shall be handed over to the Dean's office, Faculty of Graduate Studies or send to Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, No 115, Sri Dharmarama Mawatha, Fort, Matrara, by registered post.

The application should include;

i. A completed application form
ii. A complete self-assessment report prepared according to the marking scheme
iii. Relevant documentary evidence

9. The evaluation will be conducted based on the submitted documents by a committee appointed by the Board of Graduate Studies. Evaluations will be conducted for MPhil and PhD degrees separately, and the Gold Medals will be awarded to the MPhil and PhD degree holders who obtain the highest marks.

SELF-EVALUATION

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	Competency	**Marks claimed by the applicant**	**Annex No:**	**Marks given at the evaluation**
01.	The time duration from the date of registration to the effective date of the degree Refer **Table 1** for MPhil degrees and **Table 2** for PhD degrees to assign the marks for this criterion			
02.	**The level of acceptance of the thesis at the viva-voce examination.** Accepted as it is =25 marks Accepted subjected to minor corrections =20 marks Accepted subjected to major corrections =10 marks			
03.	**Publications from the thesis** **Note:** • Manuscripts at least accepted for publication will be considered for e the evaluation • Pages of the chapters of the thesis relevant to the publication has to be mentioned. • Only the publications with the candidate as the first author will be considered for the evaluation • At least one supervisor has to be included in the authors list • For publications with one outside author (apart from the candidate & supervisors), the candidate will receive 60% of the marks allocated for the publication • For publications with more than one outside authors (apart from the candidate & supervisors), the candidate will receive 40% of the marks allocated for the publication.			
3.1	Paper in a peer reviewed indexed journal*1 60 marks/paper – No limit			
3.2	Paper in a peer reviewed non-indexed journal*2 with at least two volumes published per year 30 marks/paper – No limit			
3.3	Paper in a peer reviewed non-indexed journal*2 with less than two volumes published per year 20 marks/paper – No limit			
3.4	Full paper*2 (peer reviewed) in conference proceedings 5.0/paper (max. 30)			
3.5	Abstract (oral/poster) – with evidence for presentation 2.5 marks/abstract (max 15.0)			
04	**Citations**			
	1.0 marks/citation (max 10.0)			

05.	**Inventions and Innovations:** **(**When both publications and invention/innovation are made from the same work, candidates shall claim marks only for one category) **Note:** • Pages of the relevant chapters of the thesis relevant to the Invention/Innovation has to be mentioned • Only the invention/innovation with the candidate as the first author/owner will be considered for the evaluation • At least one supervisor has to be included in the authors/owners list • For invention/innovation with one author/owner (apart from the candidate & supervisors), the candidate will receive 60% of the marks allocated for the invention/innovation. • For invention/innovation with more than one outside authors/owners (apart from the candidate & supervisors), the candidate will receive 40% of the marks allocated for the invention/innovation. • invention/innovations has to be certified by TTU of UoR			
5.1	International Patent 60 marks/patent – No limit			
5.2	Local Patent 30 marks/patent – No limit			
5.3	Commercialized products with Evidence for contracts with a reputed company (Only the products commercialized through the TTU of UoR will be considered for evaluation. The relevant document has to be certified by the TTU of UoR) (10 marks/Product) – maximum 30 marks			
06.	**Outstanding awards** (Maximum 30 marks)			
6.1	President's award/NRC merit Award – 30 marks			
6.2	Best presenter, best paper, best inventor, best poster • Within the Faculty (Faculty level) (02 marks/award) • Within university/National/International (10 marks/award)			

I hereby certify that the particulars submitted by me in this application are true and accurate.

Signature of the applicant: _____

Date : _____

Table 1 The marks allocation (Both full time & Part time) for the timely completion of MPhil degree

No. of months	Markes
36	100.
37	90
38	80
39	70
40	60
41	50
42	40

Table 2 The marks allocation (Both full time & Part time) for the timely completion of PhD degree

No. of months	Markes
54	100
55	90
56	80
57	70
58	60
59	50
60	40

*[*1] Recognized indexed journals are listed under:*

I. Science Citation index (SCI)/SCI Expanded)
II. Social Sciences Citation index
III. Arts and humanities Citation index
IV. Library and Information Science Abstracts (LISA)
V. Library, Information Science and Technology Abstracts (LISTA)

*[*2] Candidates should be ready to provide a copy of peer review of reports if requested*

APPLICATION FOR THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S GOLD MEDAL FOR THE BEST POSTGRADUATE STUDENT

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES-UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA

1. Name :
2. Registration number :
3. Degree obtained :
4. Thesis title :
5. Effective date of the degree :
6. Board of Study :
7. Permanent Address :
8. Email :
9. Phone (Mobile) :
10. Phone (Residence) :

Conflicts of interest (please select)

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest.

○ I declare the following conflicts of interest

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I hereby certify that the particulars submitted by me in this application are true and accurate. I am aware that if any of particulars are found to be false or inaccurate, I am liable to be disqualified for the Gold Medal, and to be dismissed without any compensation, if fraudulent, false or inaccurate claims are detected after the award.

Signature of the applicant : _____

Date : _____