



The Graduate Student Senate (GSS) is currently seeking nominations for awards which will be given to outstanding graduate and professional students as well as the individuals whose work is dedicated to supporting these students at the Third Annual GSS Awards Ceremony and Breakfast.

The GSS Awards Ceremony and Breakfast will take place during Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week (GPSAW) on Friday, April 5, 2019 from 8:00-9:30 am. The location will be announced at a later date.

The GSS seeks nominations from **faculty and staff** at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville for exceptional graduate and professional students. **We invite faculty and staff members to select up to one (1) student for each award category listed below. Please nominate outstanding graduate and professional students by Friday, March 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm. In order to be considered, the nominations must come from a faculty or staff member. Nominations must also include a justification of up to 150 words which demonstrate to the committee why the student is an excellent choice for the award.**

Excellence in Graduate Research

Description: The “Excellence in Graduate Research” award is presented to graduate and professional students who have received national and/or international recognition in their field and show promise in their area of research and/or creative achievement.

Eligibility: The nominee must be a masters, doctoral, or professional student enrolled at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville for the 2018-19 academic year.

Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching

Description: The “Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching” award is presented to graduate teaching assistants and associates for extraordinary performance in teaching.

Eligibility: The nominee must be a masters, doctoral, or professional student serving as a graduate teaching assistant or associate at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville for at least part of the 2018-19 academic year.

Excellence in Service

Description: The “Excellence in Service” award is presented to graduate and professional students who are extraordinary campus leaders, participate in service learning or other community initiatives, and/or provide service leadership to their academic discipline through service in professional organizations.

Eligibility: The nominee must be a masters, doctoral, or professional student enrolled at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville for the 2018-19 academic year.

Please submit your nominations through the following [link](#). You will need to be logged into your UT Google Account (netID and password) in order to access the form and you will only be able to complete the form once. Email GSS Vice President Jack Ryan at gss2@utk.edu with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your support of graduate and professional students at UT!