



Office of Graduate & Professional Education

**Dissertation Prize Nomination Form
Cover Sheet**

Nomination deadline: April 20, 2012

Student's Name: _____

Student's Major: _____

Check one:

- Wilbur Owen Sypherd Prize
- Allan P. Colburn Prize
- George Herbert Ryden Prize
- Theodore Wolf Prize
- Dan Rich Prize

Nomination Procedures:

One nomination per department (or college with no departments) may be submitted by the department chair (or dean, for colleges with no departments) to the Office of Graduate and Professional Education. The nomination should consist of:

1. A letter from the dissertation advisor that evaluates both the quality of the research and the dissertation's contribution to knowledge in the nominee's field (Note: letters from members of the dissertation advisory committee may be included to provide additional informed views of the dissertation's quality and significance to the field).
2. A supporting letter from the department chair explaining why that dissertation was chosen as the best completed dissertation in the department or program this year (in any of the semesters of the current academic year: summer, fall, winter or spring).
3. A copy of the dissertation.
4. A copy of the external abstract as originally submitted with the dissertation to the Office of Graduate and Professional Education.