

**GRADUATE COLLEGE  
Research Excellence Awards Rubric**

**Research Excellence Awards** are presented to graduate students who have completed original, innovative research, scholarship and/or creativity during their career at Drexel. The awards are designed to recognize widely disseminated student research with significant impact on the field or society. Eligible graduate students must be fully matriculated in a graduate program.

**Originality, Creativity and Significance of Research**

<b>1 (Marginal for Award)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 (Worthy of Distinction)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5 (Exemplary)</b>
Research problem(s) and goals limited in originality and creativity. Design/approach was marginally innovative.		Research Problem(s) and goals moderately original or creative. Design/approach moderately appropriate or innovative.		Research Problem(s) and goals very creative or original with new and innovative ideas. Explored original topic and discovered new outcomes. Design/approach introduced new or expanded on established ideas.

**External Recognition**

<b>1 (Marginal for Award)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 (Worthy of Distinction)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5 (Exemplary)</b>
Student has plans to present results/work at conferences.		Student has been accepted to present work at regional or national meetings.		Student has published results in peer-reviewed conference proceedings or other publications.

**Impact on the Field**

<b>1 (Marginal for Award)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 (Worthy of Distinction)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5 (Exemplary)</b>
Student's work is not likely to have an impact on the field.		Student's work is likely to have an impact on the field, based on letters of support, prestige of publication/ presentation venue, etc.		Student's work is beginning to have or has had impact on the field, based on letters of support, prestige of publication/presentation venue, citations, etc.

**Total Points \_\_\_\_\_/15**

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**Expanding the Impact of Research Rubric**

The **Expanding the Impact of Research Award** is presented to graduate students who are able to show a strong, demonstrated effort to creating societal impact from their research. This can include participation in internal or external research translation and commercialization programs, and efforts to engage with the world outside of academia such as industry pilots, partnerships, etc. Eligible graduate students must be fully matriculated in a graduate program.

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**Efforts to expand the impact of research outside of academia**

<b>1 (Marginal for Award)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 (Worthy of Distinction)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5 (Exemplary)</b>
Student has plans to participate in relevant translational research programs or partnerships.		Student has been accepted to participate in relevant translational research programs or partnerships.		Student has participated in relevant translational research programs or partnerships and is able to share the impact of their experience through specific examples.

**Impact of disseminating your research outside of academia**

<b>1 (Marginal for Award)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 (Worthy of Distinction)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5 (Exemplary)</b>
Student's work has not yet been disseminated outside of academia.		Student's work is still in process of this, but they can articulate intended impact.		Student's work has been disseminated outside of academia, and they are able to articulate what they have learned and how their research value proposition may have changed.

**Total Points \_\_\_\_\_/15**