



# Research Dissertation Award

The Research Dissertation Award recognizes a nurse whose doctoral dissertation is exceptionally meritorious and exemplifies high standards of scholarship and knowledge development. The recipient is required to have completed (defended) a dissertation between January 1, 2005, and December 31, 2006.

## CRITERIA

The dissertation:

- Has a study problem that is significant for the discipline of nursing.
- Proceeds from a clearly defined conceptual or theoretical base.
- Has methods (sample, data collection techniques, and data analysis) that are valid and consistent with the research design.
- Contains findings that contribute to the body of nursing knowledge.
- Sets the stage for a research career and the direction for a program of research.

Note: Thesis or research projects for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree are not eligible for the Research Dissertation Award.

## SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A copy of the completed dissertation will **not** be accepted for the entry.

A complete nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- A double-spaced summary (maximum of 15 pages), including in-text citations, of the dissertation without author identification.
- Two letters of support (at least one from a dissertation committee member, preferably the chair) describing how the candidate's dissertation meets the award criteria.
- Signed signature page from the dissertation. Note: Please scan and upload the signature page through the online submission process. Hard copies will not be accepted.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Call for Entries opens**  
1 November 2006

**Deadline**  
1 March 2007

**Entry fee**  
US \$45

The fee structure for nominations outside the U.S. will be set according to World Bank classifications based on per capita income designated as low, middle and high.

**Submission guidelines**  
Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Instructions are available at [www.nursingsociety.org/programs](http://www.nursingsociety.org/programs)

**Judging**  
Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

**Notification**  
Nominees and recipients will be notified of the judges' decision by 1 July 2007.

**Presentation**  
All awards will be presented at the honor society's 39<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention in Baltimore, Maryland on 3-7 November 2007.

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