# UK Fluids Network Thesis Prize: 2023 and beyond

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The UK Fluids Network is pleased to announce that nominations for the best Fluid Dynamics-themed doctoral thesis will henceforth be accepted at any time.

## 1. Eligibility

An eligible thesis should be on fluids-related research undertaken at a UK university for a doctoral degree, and should not have been nominated in a previous UKFN thesis competition.

## 2. Nomination and selection process

Nominations will now be accepted on a rolling basis, i.e. at any time of year after the thesis has been examined. The dates and deadlines for each year's competition will follow a standard pattern, as indicated in the following table.

Candidates for:	Thesis Prize 2023	Thesis Prize 2024	Thesis Prize 2025
Thesis was examined during period:	1 Jan-31 Dec 2022	1 Jan-31 Dec 2023	1 Jan-31 Dec 2024
Deadline for receipt of nominations:	1 Mar 2023	1 Mar 2024	1 Mar 2025
Winner announced by:	31 May 2023	31 May 2024	31 May 2025

A thesis is nominated for the prize by one of the thesis examiners, using the template given below. The examiner should explain in around 300-500 words why they think it is an outstanding dissertation. This citation can be based on the examiners' reports. The nominating examiner should also include a second citation, of similar length, from the other examiner.

We also request that the nominator consult the nominee (author) before they enter their thesis for the prize, and include a statement confirming the nominee agrees to their thesis being nominated.

Nominations should be sent to <u>competition@fluids.ac.uk</u>.

Once the nomination cut-off in a given year has passed, the theses will be evaluated by a panel comprising members of the UKFN Executive Committee and the winner announced within two months. The winner will receive a prize of £500.

## 3. Nomination template

Please provide the following details for the thesis you wish to nominate.

Please note that, as far as is possible, the theses will be judged blind. The judges will read the theses without knowing the name or institution of the nominee. Nominators/seconders are therefore asked to use 'the candidate', 'their institution' and the impersonal 'they' when referring to the nominee in their citation.

#### **Thesis**

Title of thesis: Date of examination: URL of thesis online: Keywords (max 5):

# Nominee (author)

Name:

Affiliation (institution and department):

Agreement to participation: 'The candidate has confirmed they agree their thesis may be nominated for the prize.'

#### Nominator (one examiner)

Name:

Affiliation (institution and department):

- Citation: Say in around 300-500 words why the thesis is outstanding, focusing particularly on
  - Originality
  - Contribution to the subject area
  - Breadth of knowledge
  - Elegance of presentation

# Seconder (other examiner)

Use same headings as those under 'Nominator'.

If the thesis is confidential, the nominator should check that the judges have permission to read the thesis, and include a statement to that effect.