

Robin & Roger Best Awards for Doctoral Research & Teaching Excellence

The purpose of the Best endowment is to recognize excellence in teaching and to encourage and support PhD student research and collaboration with LCB faculty. In providing incentives for turning this research into conference papers and co-authored journal articles, the awards aim to improve our students' job prospects and enhance the reputation of the LCB doctoral program.

All awards are subject to availability of funds, and applications must be submitted within one year of the event meriting an award (such as notification from a journal). To be eligible, students must be currently enrolled at LCB. Likewise, co-authoring faculty must be currently employed at LCB to be eligible for an award.

Teaching:

Teaching award limited to two per student during their tenure in the program.

One \$2,000 award/yr.

Awarded at the annual PhD Spring Celebration to the PhD GE with the highest instructor quality score in a single term in the preceding year (spring term through winter term)

Four \$500 awards/yr./depart.

Awarded at the annual PhD Spring Celebration to the PhD GE with the highest instructor quality score in a single term for each respective department – except that of overall winner above (spring term through winter term). Depending on quality of teaching in each department we may skip if no qualified candidates. Up to discretion of director.

Research:

Up to \$500 per student/yr.

Research travel; experiments; purchase of data, non-standard software, other materials; attendance at developmental workshops (e.g., specialized training in research methodologies).

Requirements:

Application must include description of project and intended use of funds as well as supporting letter from faculty advisor/mentor. In collaborative projects, funds are intended to reimburse students (and not faculty) for required expenses.

Conference Papers/Presentations (excluding poster sessions):

\$1,000	Presentation at <i>select major national</i> conferences designated by departments. Co-authoring students share award equally.
\$500	Presentation at <i>other national and international</i> conferences. Co-authoring students share award equally.
Requirements:	To claim award, submit to PhD Program Director copy of paper/materials presented at conference as well as relevant pages of conference program. Note: Student must present at conference to be eligible for award. Each presentation is eligible for a prize only <i>once</i> . One \$500 award <i>per student per year</i> ; no limit on \$1,000 awards. Only one award <i>per paper</i> . No “double-dipping,” i.e., awards for journal article <i>and</i> presentation for essentially the same paper.

Journal Articles:

Students:

\$500	First R&R of student-authored article in <i>Financial Times</i> list journal. Co-authoring students share award equally.
\$500	Student-authored article <i>accepted</i> for publication in <i>Financial Times</i> list journal. Co-authoring students share award equally.
\$750	Article <i>co-authored with Lundquist faculty</i> and <i>submitted the first time</i> for publication in <i>Financial Times</i> list journal. Co-authoring students share award equally.
\$500	Article <i>co-authored with Lundquist faculty</i> and <i>submitted the first time</i> for publication in other high-quality outlet (non-FT list). Co-authoring students share award equally.
\$750	First R&R of article <i>co-authored with Lundquist faculty</i> . Co-authoring students share award equally.

\$1,500

Article *co-authored with Lundquist faculty and accepted* for publication in *Financial Times* list journal. Co-authoring students share award equally.

\$1,000

Article *co-authored with Lundquist faculty and accepted* for publication in *other recognized (non-FT list), peer-reviewed* journal. Co-authoring students share award equally.

Requirements:

To claim awards, submit evidence of journal submission or acceptance to PhD Program Director. Provide copy of article upon publication. No limits on the number of prizes for journal submissions and publications. Book chapters and conference proceedings are ineligible for awards. No “double-dipping,” i.e., awards for journal article *and* presentation for essentially the same paper. Students are not eligible to receive Best Awards after leaving the Lundquist College of Business (for example, for journal articles accepted after the student graduates).

Faculty Mentors

Up to \$500

Reimbursement for journal submission fees. Once per submitted article.