2013-14 Outstanding ChE Ph.D Candidacy Proposal Award

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The Department of Chemical Engineering at Northeastern University is pleased to announce the Outstanding Ph.D. Candidacy Proposal Award. The Award is supported by two gifts to the department from Foster and Isoflux.

A key step in becoming a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemical Engineering is to compose, present and successfully defend a doctoral thesis proposal. In recognition of the significance of this step, the department will recognize the graduate student presenting and successfully defending the most outstanding candidacy proposal with a $1500 travel award to cover expenses to attend and present their original thesis research at a national or international meeting.

Award Requirements
The travel award shall be used to cover expenses to present at a national or international meeting. Either a platform/poster or oral presentation is welcome. The awarded amount is to be expended within 18 months of the award date with the remaining balance to be reclaimed to support future awards. The awardee is asked to provide receipts to obtain reimbursement from the award account. In addition, the awardee shall submit a single PowerPoint slide depicting the conference, his/her presentation title and a representative graphic from his/her presentation. The slide will be added to the Northeastern Chemical Engineering web site to feature the accomplishments of our awardees.

Eligibility
PhD students defending their candidacy proposal during the Fall 2013 – Summer 2014 period are eligible for the 2013-14 Outstanding Ph.D. Candidacy Proposal award.
Review process

• The main criteria in selecting an awardee will be the quality of his/her research proposal and defense, including both the written and oral components, and the potential of the student to conduct creative research in an independent and productive manner.

• Students interested in being considered for the award should request his/her thesis advisor and another member of his/her thesis committee to provide supporting letters. Both letters must be submitted to the Associate Chair for Graduate Studies by Wednesday September 17th, 2014.

• The ChE Graduate Committee will select the awardee based on the two letters of support, survey results (if available) from the oral defense and input from the ChE faculty.

Award announcement
The 2013-14 Outstanding ChE Graduate Seminar Award will be announced at a ChE Seminar in Fall 2014.

Questions.
Please contact the Chemical Engineering Graduate Committee:
   Prof. Hicham Fenniri (Chair)
   Prof. Sunho Choi
   Prof. Richard West

Past award recipients