

UPF-BSM AWARDS FOR THE BEST

MASTER'S/POSTGRADUATE THESES OR PROJECTS

CONDITIONS

These Awards will be given each year by the UPF Barcelona School of Management, affiliated center of Pompeu Fabra University.

These awards are for students on any of the master's and postgraduate courses taught at UPF Barcelona School of Management (hereinafter UPF-BSM) in the academic year 2022-23. Students must meet the conditions stipulated in the "Projects and candidates" section of these conditions.

The general aim is to give prominence to master's/postgraduate theses or projects related to UPF-BSM strategic areas.

Categories

1. Award for the best research project

This award aims to recognize a research thesis developed within a master's or postgraduate program and which stands out for its contribution to improving knowledge in its field of study.

2. Award for the best knowledge transfer project

This award seeks to recognize a master's or postgraduate thesis that contributes significantly to knowledge transfer outside the academic field, whether to the productive sector or to society at large.

3. Award for the best interdisciplinary project

This award is given to the master's or postgraduate project that bring together the learning of students from different disciplines, industries, subjects or programs in order to recognized teamwork and individual contributions to an overall project analyzed and developed from different perspectives.

4. Award for the best gender and diversity project

The award for the best gender and diversity perspective project seeks to recognize a master's or postgraduate thesis that develops a gender and diversity sensitive approach and helps identify and prevent the production or increase of inequalities.

5. Award for the best ethics, social responsibility, planetary well-being, or similarly-themed project

The award seeks to recognize a master's or postgraduate thesis that deals with topics related to ethics, social responsibility, and / or planetary well-being aiming to generate social impact.

6. Award for the best cultural project

The award seeks to recognize a master's or postgraduate thesis in the cultural field that contributes to the improvement of society and organizations.

7. Award for the best innovative company initiative (jointly with [VitaStudent](#))

The award for the best innovative business initiative seeks to recognize a master's or postgraduate project that presents a business plan, product or service with substantially innovative content that may include new ways of doing things and using technology.

Award

Diploma and certificate for the three best projects or thesis in any of the award categories.

Projects and candidates

The individual or group master's or postgraduate theses or projects may be unidisciplinary or multidisciplinary in any of the academic fields at UPF-BSM (social sciences and humanities, health and life sciences, information and communication technologies or design).

The following UPF-BSM students may be candidates for the awards in any of the categories:

- They have produced a thesis or project, preferably based in a real case, which due to its importance, originality, implications, or contributions deserves to be specially recognized.
- They have produced a master's or postgraduate thesis or project during the academic year 2022-2023 in any of UPF-BSM's master's or postgraduate courses.
- The master's or postgraduate thesis or project is an original work with a mark of at least 7.5.
- The language in which the master's or postgraduate project or thesis is produced may be Catalan, Spanish or English.
- They have obtained a PASS qualification of the program where they are enrolled.

Entries: deadlines and submission

Individual or group entries may be submitted by 29 September 2023.

The master's or postgraduate project report or thesis must be sent in a single file in *PDF format to the address premisTFM@bsm.upf.edu in accordance with the rules for presentation of UPF-BSM master's or postgraduate theses or projects.

Entries may also be submitted at the request of the academic directors of UPF-BSM master's or postgraduate courses, when they consider a master's or postgraduate project or thesis submitted by a student to merit being entered for the awards in any of the categories. These entries must be authorized in writing by the student or students that authored or performed the project or thesis in question.

The awards will be presented in a ceremony that will take place at UPF-BSM in the first term of the academic year 2023-24 and will be publicized through the corporate communication channels (social networks, UPF-BSM website, internal newsletter and others that have been considered).

For each award category three finalists would be proposed and then only one application will be proposed as first prize.

Confidentiality

The information related to the non-awarded candidates will be treated completely confidentially and used solely for assessment by the jury.

Jury: members and decision

The jury will be made up of the following people:

- Dean of UPF-BSM.
- Associate Dean for Education and Academic Affairs of UPF-BSM.
- An expert in each one of the categories.

A Registrar Officer's member will act as the jury's secretary.

The jury may request the information or advice it deems appropriate from UPF-BSM's academic and administrative units and may decide not to issue awards for all or some of the categories.