

HKSTS OUTSTANDING



DISSERTATION PAPER AWARD

Gordon Newell Memorial Prize

Introduction

The Hong Kong Society for Transportation Studies (HKSTS) established the HKSTS Outstanding Dissertation Paper Award in 2005 to promote transportation research and education in Asia, as well as the Society's own journals. The award offers a prize of HK\$10,000 (US\$1 \approx HK\$7.8). The Gordon Newell Memorial Prize is dedicated to the late Professor Gordon Newell of the University of California at Berkeley in recognition of his significant contributions to scientific research and education in traffic and transportation theories. The initial donation for the prize came from a former student of Professor Newell.

Eligibility

PhD graduates who are citizens of an Asian country, and who have completed their PhD studies within three years of the HKSTS Conference at which the award is granted, are eligible to apply. The relevant Asian regions include Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China Mainland, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Macau SAR, Malaysia, the Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam.

Application

1. An applicant should submit his/her PhD dissertation, together with a full paper that is based on the dissertation, and a certificate from the university confirming the award of a PhD degree, to the Award Committee (at the address shown below) by 31 March of each year. While the dissertation can be written in any language, the full paper must be in English and conform to the format of HKSTS journals at www.hksts.org. The applicant must be the first author of the paper, and the full paper must not have been submitted for publication or published elsewhere except for HKSTS journals.
2. Any shortlisted dissertation that is not written in English will be sent to an external assessor who is familiar with the language used to confirm that the content has arisen from the work reported in the dissertation.
3. Shortlisted full papers will then go through the normal peer review process. Based on the review results, the Award Committee will make one of the following decisions:
 - (a) Nominate the candidate for the HKSTS Outstanding Dissertation Paper Award, and recommend that his/her paper be published in an HKSTS journal, subject to satisfactory revision based on the referees' comments if the paper has not been published.
 - (b) Recommend that his/her paper be published in an HKSTS journal, subject to satisfactory revision based on the referees' comments if the paper has not been published.
 - (c) Decline the shortlisted paper for both the award and for publication.
4. The award will be granted to the nominated candidate subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) The paper will be revised to the satisfaction of the Award Committee.
 - (b) The candidate will attend the following HKSTS Conference (normally held in December) and present the paper.
 - (c) The candidate will publish or will have published the paper in the recommended HKSTS journal, and will be present to receive the award at the Conference.
5. The award recipient will receive:
 - (a) The Gordon Newell Memorial Prize of HK\$10,000 (US\$1≅HK\$7.8)
 - (b) A certificate for the HKSTS Outstanding Dissertation Paper Award
 - (c) A waiver of the registration fee for the HKSTS Conference to be attended

Each year, only one HKSTS Outstanding Dissertation Paper Award shall be issued. Should no suitable candidate qualify for the award in a particular year, the Award Committee reserves the right to not grant an award.



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