



## **Sloan Industry Studies Dissertation Award**

The Sloan Industry Studies Program invites submission for its annual dissertation award competition for 2009. The goal of the award is to recognize and reward outstanding doctoral research in the area of industry studies. Industry studies research includes research that demonstrates significant personal investment in developing an understanding of the markets, firms and institutions of an industry and frequently involves the integration of direct observation with appropriate theory and analysis. The Sloan Industry Studies Program is dedicated to promoting academic research that is grounded in a deep knowledge of a particular industry or industries. The award is accompanied by a \$1500 honorarium for first prize and a \$750 honorarium for second prize.

### **Procedures**

#### **Who is eligible?**

To be eligible for the competition, candidates must have completed a doctoral dissertation in economics, management, engineering, political science, or in a related or interdisciplinary field between July 1, 2008, and June 30, 2009. Candidates must have successfully defended their dissertations and received the final approval and all required sign-offs on their dissertation document by the June 30, 2009 date.

#### **The nominating and selection process**

Normally the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation expects candidates to be nominated by their dissertation supervisors, although nominations by other members of the candidate's committee will be considered. The Foundation welcomes nominations from affiliates of the Sloan Industry Studies Program; however, candidates and nominators are not required to have any prior relationship with the program. Direct applications are not accepted. Nomination forms are available from the Foundation through its website (<http://www.sloan.org/program/34/page/56>).

The nomination packet (preferably all in PDF format) should include:

1. The completed nomination form.

2. A letter of nomination from the dissertation supervisor supporting the submission and stating his/her assessment of why the thesis is worthy of the award.
3. An extended abstract of the dissertation not to exceed five pages (all inclusive, except for the cover page).
4. The nominee's current vita.

Nominations are due by August 10, 2009. Nominations will be reviewed by a distinguished committee of industry studies scholars. Finalists for the award will be asked to submit their full dissertation to the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation for review.

Award recipients will be notified in October and awards will be presented at the Industry Studies Conference in the spring of 2010. Award recipients will also receive travel funding to attend the conference.

Please upload an electronic copy of all documents (preferably in PDF format) by August 10, 2009 to the Dissertation Award electronic review site located at <https://www.softconf.com/a/isawards09/>.

A copy of the nomination packet should also be sent by regular mail to:

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