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Procedures for Awarding Länsförsäkringar Skaraborg's Prize presented by Skaraborg's Academy

These guidelines were ratified by the Faculty Board on 2022-03-09 and are effective from the same date.

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This is a translation of the Swedish version (Handläggningsordning för Länsförsäkringar Skaraborgs pris utdelat av Skaraborgs Akademi, registration number HS 2022/185). In the event of any discrepancy, the Swedish version of this document shall prevail.

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1 General

Every year, the Skaraborg Academy awards the "Länsförsäkringar Skaraborg Prize"[1]. The prize is awarded for a doctoral thesis at the University of Skövde (the University) that deserves special recognition. The award consists of a diploma and a monetary sum and is usually presented at the end of the year.

The Faculty Board appoints the prizewinner on behalf of the Skaraborg Academy.

2 Announcement, application and decision

The Faculty Board is responsible for announcing the prize, after consultation with the Skaraborg Academy and Länsförsäkringar Skaraborg. The announcement is normally made in June each year. The announcement is made internally at the University.

Eligible theses must have been written by someone who, during their time as a doctoral student, was affiliated with the University of Skövde.

The public defence must have taken place during the current year or one of the two preceding years. Example: for the 2022 prize, the defence must have taken place in 2022, 2021 or 2020. The thesis must have been defended before the final application deadline.

2.1 Application

Applications must be submitted by e-mail to the Registrar at the University of Skövde.

The application must include the following two components:

- One copy of the doctoral thesis. The thesis should preferably be submitted electronically.
- A statement prepared by the person who served as the opponent at the public defence. A template for the statement is provided in Appendix 1. The template is also available in English.

2.2 Decision on award recipient

The Faculty Board decides which thesis is to be awarded the prize. The decision cannot be appealed.

A proposal for the decision is submitted by a working group consisting of one representative each from Länsförsäkringar

[1] The prize was previously called the Skaraborg Academy Prize.

Skaraborg, the Skaraborg Academy, and the Faculty Board at the University of Skövde.

Länsförsäkringar Skaraborg and the Skaraborg Academy each appoint their respective representative.

The representative of the Faculty Board is the Dean. The Deputy Dean serves as deputy. If both are unable to participate in the process, a replacement is appointed from among the teacher representatives on the Faculty Board.

The task of the working group is to review the submitted applications based on the statements of the opponents (Section 2.1). Appendix 1 outlines the areas to be addressed in the opponent's statement. The working group submits a proposal for decision, including a statement of justification, to the Faculty Board.

3 This document is in effect as of

This document is in effect as of 9 March 2022 and replaces the Procedure for the Skaraborg Academy Prize dated 15 March 2017. (Reg. no. HS 2017/233).

Appendix 1 Template for the Opponent's Statement on the Application

Statement on (replace with name)'s application for the Skaraborg Academy Prize

The statement must comprise a minimum of 1 A4 page and a maximum of 3 A4 pages in total.

How do you assess this thesis in relation to distinguished dissertations in the field?

Justification in text:

How significant is the thesis's contribution to the international development of the field?

Justification in text:

Assess the potential of the thesis to result in popular science publications.

Justification in text:

What are the strengths and weaknesses of the thesis?

Strengths:

Weaknesses:

Briefly justify in your own words why the candidate should or should not receive Länsförsäkringar Skaraborg's Prize.

The statement is provided by:

Date

Name

Title

E-post