

**Regulations for the Columbus Thesis Poster Award of the Department of  
Marine Biotechnology and Resources, National Sun Yat-sen University  
(NSYSU) Graduate Program**

Approved by the Department Affairs Meeting on September 13, 1995

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1. These regulations are established following the resolution of the 1995 Department Affairs Meeting.
2. Graduate students (Master's and Ph.D.) of the department may apply for this award by submitting an application form within the specified deadline, accompanied by a written recommendation from their thesis advisor. The advisor's recommendation letter must provide a detailed description of the student's research progress, achievements, and the start date of the research. Applications without a written recommendation from the thesis advisor will not be accepted.
3. Applicants must publicly display a research report related to their thesis before the designated evaluation date. The research must have been conducted after gaining admission to the department's graduate program. The report's content should include overall objectives, literature review, materials or methods, and experimental results or contributions.
4. Applicants must attend the evaluation session and respond to on-site inquiries. Those who do not participate in the evaluation session will be disqualified from receiving the award.
5. Faculty members holding the rank of Assistant Professor or above in the department will serve as evaluation committee members. External faculty members who participate in the evaluation session may also serve as committee members. The evaluation committee will assess all applicants' research results and give a maximum score of 100 points. The final score, calculated by averaging each committee's points excluding the extremities, will be used to determine the ranking of award recipients.

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Awardees will receive a certificate and prize money. The amount of the prize and the number of recipients will be determined according to the department's regulations on graduate student scholarships. However, students who have already received other scholarships that prohibit additional funding from the Ministry of Education, as well as part-time graduate students, are not eligible for the prize money.

**7.** These regulations take effect upon announcement. Any unresolved matters may be amended and announced accordingly.