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Outstanding Thesis Award

Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games gGmbH is offering an “Outstanding Thesis Award” for outstanding academic theses (Bachelor's or Master's). The competition is open to students at a German university. Excellent theses in German or English, which have been completed in the period 01.10.2024 - 15.05.2025 and whose evaluation is available at the time of submission, will be accepted. **The application deadline is 15.05.2025.**

To be considered, the work must have a well-founded thematic reference to major sporting events, multi-sport events, the World University Games (formerly Universiade), university sport or Rhine-Ruhr2025, the FISU or the adh (Allgemeiner Deutscher Hochschulsportverband).

A total of three places are available. **Prize money of 1,500 euros** will be awarded for 1st place, 650 euros for 2nd place and 350 euros for 3rd place. In addition, each prize includes two **Ground Passes** for Games Time at the World University Games (July 16-27, 2025). In addition, two exclusive tickets for the **opening ceremony with Ayliva**, among others, will be raffled among all participants of the “Outstanding Thesis” and “Outstanding Thesis Concept” Award. The award ceremony will take place during the games.

Currently enrolled students at a German university or students who have completed their studies at a German university after 01.10.2024 are eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted in electronic form as a coherent PDF (max. 10MB). Write an e-mail with the subject “Submission Outstanding Thesis Award” to: education@rhineruhr2025.com.

Questions to: Johannes.karsch@rhineruhr2025.com

On the next page you will find the evaluation criteria and the checklist for submission.

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Assessment criteria

- Exclusion criteria: completeness of the documents
- Level clearly above that of comparable theses. Excellent academic work is a prerequisite.
- Graded as “very good” (1.0 or 1.3)
- Thematic reference: major sporting events, multi-sport events, World University Games / Universiade, university sports **or** Rhine-Ruhr2025 / FISU / adh
- Individual duration of study and special life situation can be taken into account in the case of equally good work
- Creativity (research question, methodology, perspective)
- Added value for the object of research (further development of the field)
- Connecting perspectives (e.g. for research or practice)

Checklist

The following documents must be enclosed with the application:

- A digital copy of the thesis in German or English
- Summary of the thesis including a description of the reference to the topics and perspectives identified (max. 350 words)
- Short curriculum vitae (1 page)
- Copy of the degree certificate with grade of the thesis*
- Signed [declaration of consent under data protection law \(Data Protection Information\)](#)
- Signed [declaration of the primary supervisor](#)
- Contact details (e-mail)

*If the degree certificate has not yet been issued, a written confirmation from the examination office regarding the grade and outcome of the procedure can be submitted instead.

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