

**Purdue University
Chorafas Foundation Awards**

**OPEN TO ELIGIBLE PhD STUDENTS IN
ANY RELEVANT SUBJECT AREA @ PURDUE UNIVERSITY.**

Deadline: April 26, 2024

Purdue University will nominate one young PhD graduate student researcher for the 2024 Chorafas Foundation Award. The **newly increased \$10,000** award, made available by the Dimitris N. Chorafas Foundation, is intended as a prize recognizing the excellent achievements/impact of the candidate's advanced studies and/or research during PhD program or shortly after graduation. The Dimitris N. Chorafas Foundation was founded in 1992 under the leadership of Prof. Dimitris N. Chorafas. Each year, the Foundation awards prizes to more than 20 universities, with the goal of stimulating promising young researchers.

Process:

- Selection of a Purdue nominee will be a two-phase process. Students are invited to submit pre-proposals for the Chorafas Foundation Award by **Friday, April 26, 2024**. A maximum of 5 finalists will be selected to submit a full nomination package. The deadline for submitting full nomination packets is **Friday, May 24, 2024**.
- The requirements and criteria for pre-proposals and final proposals are provided on page 2.
- All pre-proposals should be sent to the **attention of Brettley Ross, Office of Research and Innovation, College of Engineering** electronically as one PDF File to EngrResearch@purdue.edu.

Subject Areas for the Chorafas Award:

Research projects in the following areas are eligible for the Chorafas prize:

- Life Sciences & Medicine
- Physics
- Chemistry (including nanotechnology)
- Mathematics
- Informatics/Computer Science
- Engineering of Finance& Risk Management

Eligibility:

- Applications are invited from PhD students enrolled **in any college at Purdue.**

- Applicants may not be older than 32 years on May 31, 2024 (born after 5/31/1992).
- Candidate students must have graduated or be expected to graduate between May 31, 2023 and December 31, 2024. Candidates can only be nominated once.

Pre-proposals. Applicants must submit cover page, a short cover letter, a curriculum vitae, a one page summary of the candidate's dissertation research, and a one page description of the planned use of the Chorafas award. Candidates are strongly encouraged to include a list of publications, professional presentations, and examples of significant leadership.

Final proposals. Applicants selected as finalists must submit the following documents for consideration:

- 1) Cover page with the following information
 - Full Name (LAST, first)
 - Gender
 - Title (e.g. Dr)
 - Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)
 - Title of the Thesis
 - Graduation Date (or expected graduation date) (MM/YYYY)
 - Field of Research (choose the closest one of the following fields: Life Sciences & Medicine, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Informatics/Computer Science, Engineering of Finance & Risk Management).
 - Passport size photo
 - Candidate's home address (for issuing prize check)
 - Candidate's personal email address
- 2) Complete CV (including internship if any) + a passport size photo
- 3) List of publications (only papers where the candidate is first author; the paper must be either published/in press/accepted in peer-reviewed journals)
- 4) Summary of Research (up to one page only)
- 5) Candidate's personal note - *Why my research benefits humanity...* (up to one page only)
- 6) Two letters of recommendation. One must be from the PhD supervisor. The salutation that should be used is ***Dear Members of the Board***
- 7) Abstracts of first authored papers in peer-reviewed journals (up to 5 abstracts - no longer than ½ page each)

About the Foundation and the Prize:

<https://www.weizmann.ac.il/feinberg/about/dimitris-n-chorafas-prize/about-foundation-and-prize>

Additional information & submission:

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