

Gender & Diversity Awards 2024

An award for final theses with a reference to Gender & Diversity topics by students and graduates of the St. Pölten UAS and E³UDRES² partner institutions

In 2024, the division for Gender & Diversity of the Service and Competence Centre for Higher Education Development and Quality Management of the St. Pölten UAS once again gives away awards for final theses that address Gender & Diversity topics.

The award is given away in the following categories:

- Bachelor thesis, written at the St. Pölten UAS, prize money: EUR 500.00
- Master thesis, written at the St. Pölten UAS, prize money: EUR 500.00
- Final thesis written by students and graduates at a higher education institution of the E³UDRES² alliance, prize money: EUR 500.00

1. Award Criteria

- Completed or ongoing studies at the St. Pölten UAS or at a higher education institution of the E³UDRES² alliance
- A bachelor or master thesis either already assessed (no earlier than May 2022) or submitted for assessment at the St. Pölten UAS or at a higher education institution of the E³UDRES² alliance
- The thesis needs to have a clear reference to the topics of gender and/or diversity. Example: The thesis uses gender/diversity dimensions as categories for analysis, or gender/diversity plays a role in the research question, or the thesis contributes to the fight against social injustice, etc.

Applicants are expected to pitch their final thesis in English within the framework of the International Week 2024 at the St. Pölten UAS.

2. Required Documents

- Informal application in German or English including a brief statement explaining why the work is eligible for the award
- Full version of the final thesis in German or English

 Short version of the thesis in German or English on 1 to max. 2 A4 pages (research question, objectives, method, most important results) explaining the work's reference to gender/diversity dimensions or contribution to equality

3. Submission Deadline:

Please submit the required documents via email to gender diversity@fhstp.ac.at by 14/07/2024 at the latest.

An expert jury will decide on the winners in a two-stage procedure:

In the summer of 2024, an expert jury will first hold an in-camera session and make a pre-selection of the three best bachelor and master theses written at St. Pölten UAS and of the three best final theses written at a higher education institution of the E³UDRES² alliance, respectively. All applicants will subsequently be informed thereof.

In the second step, the candidates nominated by the jury in the pre-selection process will pitch their work in English within the framework of the International Week 2024 at the St. Pölten UAS. Based on these presentations, the expert jury will take its final decision on the awards.

The winners' names will be announced in the reporting on the Gender & Diversity Awards 2024 in the St. Pölten UAS' media. No claims can be derived from either this call for submissions or an application.

For questions on the submission, please contact:

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