

McCrary-Keller Award for Outstanding 2nd-4th Year Student

The McCrary-Keller Award is given to an outstanding second, third, or fourth-year graduate student. The decision on the winner of the McCrary-Keller Award will be based on the following criteria and does not require that the student submit any materials. Students can only receive this award once while completing their program. The Graduate Studies Committee, in consultation with the faculty, will consider a combination of the following broad areas and sub-areas:

Academic:

- 1) academic performance in courses (e.g., quality of research papers, course assignments and projects, participation during class sessions, etc.) and independent studies;
- 2) documented and timely progress toward and completion of dissertation proposal and Qualifying Exams;
- 3) Satisfactory completion of SPA 767 ('S' grades) during dissertation phase with no 'U' (Unsatisfactory) 767 grades;
- 4) active work toward and submission of abstracts and manuscripts for conference presentations and publications.

Teaching:

- 1) recurring "Overall TA Performance" ratings of "Excellent" by DELI;
- 2) positive qualitative appraisal of in-class teaching by DELI;
- 3) positive faculty observations;
- 4) strong numerical TCEs results

Service/Citizenship:

- 1) active participation in HIGSA, Sigma Delta Pi, and other related organizations;
- 2) frequent attendance at and support of departmental events, whether academic (e.g., Nuestro Rumbo) or social (e.g., Almuerzos, department awards ceremony);
- 3) diligent completion of required service obligations such as La mesa