

Ralph Budd Ph.D Thesis Award

The Ralph Budd Award is awarded to the best thesis in engineering.

Required: Two (2) letters of recommendation and an electronic copy of the thesis or draft copy submitted to Pam Traylor in the Dean's office. These letters should address the *independence* and *creativity* of the student in the thesis.

Two nominations per department.

Prize: engraved medal, certificate and **\$3,000** prize

Student Name: _____

Student Department: _____

Nominator Name: _____

Date of Enrollment in PhD Program at Rice: _____

Title of Thesis: _____

Members of thesis committee: _____

1. Please provide an abstract and summary description of the thesis.
2. What is the significance or impact of the work in this thesis?
3. How many papers have been submitted? Accepted? Appeared in press?
Attach pdfs.
4. What are the plans for continuing the thesis work?
5. What are the student's plans after graduating from Rice?