

Immaculada Sastre Miró Social Engagement Awards, from the URV, for bachelor's degree theses, master's degree theses and doctoral theses.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2024

One. Aim of the call

In accordance with the Social Action and Solidarity Agreement of the Office for Equality and Social Engagement (hereinafter, OICS) of the Universitat Rovira i Virgili (hereinafter, URV), the fourth edition is being held of the Immaculada Sastre Miró Social Engagement Awards of the URV, awarded to final-year bachelor's degree theses (hereinafter, BT), final-year master's degree theses (hereinafter, MT) and doctoral theses (hereinafter, DT) written by URV students.

In accordance with these rules, the aim of these awards is to promote the social engagement of URV students, to recognise research work that has sought to address real needs in society and that has been designed in collaboration with non-profit organisations, in accordance with the criteria established by the URV's Service Learning Programme.

Two. Requirements to be eligible for one of the awards

According to the rules, in order to be eligible for one of the awards, the candidate must:

- Be registered for the BT or MT subjects of an official degree, or on a URV doctoral programme, during the academic year 2023-24.
- Give an oral and public defence of the work during the academic year 2023-24.
- Submit a single application for one of the three categories: bachelor's thesis, master's thesis or doctoral thesis.
- Present a work aimed at addressing a real social and/or environmental need, defined in collaboration with a non-profit organisation or social entity.
- Comply with the requirements of the URV's Service Learning Programme; that is, there can be no profit motive in the activity carried out by the student, both when preparing the work and when applying it.

- Present a thesis with a minimum grade of “notable” (good).
- Present the thesis in Catalan, Spanish or English.

Three. Presentation of the application

The student’s application must contain the following documentation:

- An application form, according to the model available on the website of the Office for Equality and Social Engagement (<https://www.urv.cat/ca/universitat/estructura/gestio/suport-activitat/compromis-social/premis-de-compromis-social-immaculada-sastre-miro/>).
- A document signed by the tutor of the BT, MT or DT confirming their approval.
- The final grade report of the BT, MT or DT, or another document that certifies that the student has passed the subject.
- A letter of motivation (in Catalan or Spanish) from the student, of at least 700 words, in which they explain which aspects of their work mean that they should be considered for the prize, taking into account the evaluation criteria established in these rules.
- The BT, MT or DT (in PDF format).
 - A certificate confirming the applicant’s participation (if applicable), issued by the Service Learning Programme, or an SLP letter of validation addressed to the tutor of the BT, MT or DT.

This documentation must be submitted electronically to the [URV online register](https://seuelectronica.urv.cat/registre.html) (<https://seuelectronica.urv.cat/registre.html>), using the generic form and attaching the standard application form and the rest of the documentation required under these conditions. Applications must be sent to the Office for Equality and Social Engagement.

Other places where the applicant can submit the application, according to Article 16 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, on the common administrative procedure of public administrations, are:

- The registers of any administrative body belonging to the general administration of the Spanish State, of any administration of the autonomous communities or of the entities that make up the local administration and the institutional public sector.
- The Post Offices of the Spanish State, as established by regulation. If the documentation is sent by registered post, it must be presented at a Spanish

post office and - in accordance with article 31 of Royal Decree 1829/1999 of 3 December 1999 - in an open envelope, so that the application, letter or communication can be dated and stamped before being certified. If the application has not been dated and stamped by the post office, the valid date of submission will be the date on which the application is entered into the URV registry.

- Diplomatic representations or consular offices of the Spanish State abroad.
- Offices providing registry assistance.

If the applicant presents the documentation in any of the aforementioned registers, to any of these other registries, they must notify compromissocial@urv.cat.

The Office of Equality and Social Engagement may request any other documentation that it deems necessary to process these awards, and candidates must provide it within a maximum period of two working days, starting from the day they are requested to do so. If they do not, the jury will understand that the candidate has withdrawn from the awards and their file will be closed without any further procedure.

Four. Deadlines for submission

The deadline for submitting applications begins at 8.00 on 11 November 2024 and ends at 00.00h on 25 November 2024.

Five. Allocation of the awards

In this call for applications, a maximum of three awards will be allocated, one for each of the following categories:

- Bachelor's thesis: 1,000 euros and a diploma.
- Master's thesis: 1,000 euros and a diploma.
- Doctoral thesis: 1,000 euros and a diploma.

For the BT and MT categories, the cash prize will be paid by the Office of Equality and Social Engagement of the URV.

For the DT category, the cash prize will be paid by the Social Council of the URV.

Six. Resolution of the call

This call for applications must be concluded within six months, starting from the end of the deadline for submitting applications.

The final outcome will be published on the website of the Office for Equality and Social Engagement of the URV (<https://www.urv.cat/ca/universitat/estructura/gestio/suport-activitat/compromis-social/premis-de-compromis-social-immaculada-sastre-miro/>).

Seven. Dissemination and awarding of prizes

Cash prizes will be subject to the tax regulations in force and will be transferred directly into the beneficiary's bank account.

The prizes are awarded in a public ceremony that is open to students, teachers and the social organisations connected with the award-winning projects.

Eight. Acceptance of the rules and regulations of application

Participation in this call for applications implies full acceptance of the terms and conditions.