



PANNON UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Business and Economics



Call for proposals Zoltán Gaál PhD Award for Excellence

The purpose of the award:

The Faculty of Business and Economics of the University of Pannonia established a PhD Award for Excellence in memory of Professor Zoltán Gaál, which aims to recognise recent PhD graduates who have made outstanding achievements in the field of management. The award also aims to recognise young researchers who are deserving based on their work, to encourage their scientific work and to promote their achievements to the professional and scientific community.

Who is eligible to apply:

The award is open to PhD graduates who

- Hungarian citizens, at a higher education institution in Hungary or abroad,
- or foreign nationals, at a Hungarian higher education institution,
- in Hungarian or English,
- Between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2026, they successfully defended their PhD dissertation on management.

How to submit your application, formal requirements:

You can apply by filling in the form: [//forms.gle/Yw7KZcGmBCKPz91w5](https://forms.gle/Yw7KZcGmBCKPz91w5)

The application must include:

- the dissertation (including a thesis booklet for institutions in Hungary) in pdf format,
- a copy of the PhD degree (in the absence of an EDHT decision),
- a completed application registration form.

The applicant undertakes to present the main results of the dissertation in the Plenary Session of the conference.

Deadline for submission: **30 September 2026.**

Applications submitted after the deadline specified in the call will be considered invalid and will not be considered. There is no possibility to remedy the deficiency.

Evaluation of applications:

The Scientific Committee will decide on the award based on the applications received by 20 November 2026.

Presentation of the award:

The award is presented every two years at the Zoltán Gaál Conference organised by the Faculty of Business and Economics of the University of Pannonia.

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