

Professor Józef Koźielecki* Award for the best diploma thesis at the Faculty of Psychology

1. Award of the Dean of the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Warsaw for the best diploma thesis, hereinafter referred to as the Award - refers to the initiative of Professor Józef Koźielecki. It is awarded annually to graduates of the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Warsaw, who in a given academic year present a distinguished diploma thesis.

2. The prize is awarded in three categories:

- for the best master's thesis in the programme of *Psychologia* and Psychology (WISP)
- for the best master's thesis in the programme of Cognitive Science
- for the best BA thesis in the programme of Applied Animal Psychology.

3. The award is a scientific award, i.e. the only criterion is the value of the diploma thesis as a specific scientific dissertation. First of all, substantive values are taken into account, and additionally, others - expressing the level of competence in the preparation of a scientific text.

4. The amount of the Prize is 2000 PLN and cannot be divided - in a given year, one prize is awarded in each category and always in the full amount, however, due to the large number of *Psychologia* students in this category, it is possible to award I and II awards.

5. Applications for the Award should be submitted to the Student Section by **August 30** each year. Applications should be sent to the address: dd@psych.uw.edu.pl

6. Applications for the Prize may only apply to persons who meet the following two conditions:

- passed the diploma exam after August 30 of the previous academic year
- received very good or excellent grades in both reviews of their thesis.

7. Applications for the Award may be submitted by:

- graduates - authors of works
- reviewers of theses
- supervisors of theses
- Dean and Vice-Deans
- Student Scientific Societies
- students Council bodies.

8. Each applicant may submit only one proposal. Applications should include a justification that concisely defines the substantive value of the work submitted for the Award.

9. The preliminary review of applications is carried out by the Student Section, which verifies them due to the conditions set out in point 6 of the Rules of the Prize.

10. The Vice-Dean for Student Affairs proposes the composition of the Award Jury, taking into account the nature of the submitted works and the provisions of point 11 of the regulations.

11. The Jury should include at least three persons who are authorized to supervise diploma theses. Jury members may not be persons who managed (were supervisors of) the works submitted in a given competition for the Award. The Jury consists only of employees of the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Warsaw.

12. The jury of the Award is appointed by the Dean of the Faculty.

13. The jury sets its own rules of work, respecting the provisions of these regulations. The jury may appoint additional opinion providers.

14. The decision regarding the Award should be made by **September 20** each year. The Jury of the Award presents the Dean of the Faculty with a report specifying the authors and titles of the awarded theses or containing a substantiated statement about not awarding the Award in a given year. The jury's verdict is final. After handing over the final protocol to the Dean, the Jury is dissolved.

15. On the basis of the protocol mentioned in point 14, the Dean of the Faculty takes the appropriate steps to present the Award to the designated winners.

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Pioneer of cognitive psychology in Poland, best known for his work on decision theory. His books always reached beyond superficial data, searching for philosophical meanings in science and social reality. He also wrote historical essays, fiction and journalism.

