ECE Department

## Faculty Advisor Feedback Form for the award of

**the Outstanding MSEE Thesis Award**

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| **Outstanding Thesis Awards (OTA) are targeted towards students who have exhibited exceptional quality** in their thesis research work. The OTA is designed to ***acknowledge exceptional students who are self-starters, innovative thinkers and produced thesis technical work of quality significantly higher than the average thesis***. OTA awards will take into consideration factors such as importance of thesis topic, advancement of theory and/or application in filed, relevance of thesis to DoD/DoN, significance of thesis methodology and results, degree of difficulty, follow-on work (presentations, publications, patent applications, etc..), independence of work, quality of the thesis presentation, and thesis write-up. Therefore, **the advisor input is essential** in helping the OTA Committee (OTAC) decides.  Please, recognize deserving students, but be objective in your evaluation, as this **optional award should only acknowledge exceptional graduates** of our Program.  Notes: 1) Joint-theses are NOT eligible for the OTA. 2) Nominated students who do not turn in a completed thesis NLT the first week of the quarter following graduation will be removed from consideration. |

**Faculty Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Advisor Co-Advisor** (Check relationship to nominated student)

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| **Student name** |  |
| **Thesis title** |  |
| **Thesis abstract**  **(200 words or less)** |  |
| **Advancement of Theory and/or Application in Field:** |  |
| **Relevance of Thesis to DoN/DoD:** |  |
| **Significance of Thesis Methodology and Results:** |  |
| **Overall quality of written thesis document (including grammar, etc..)** | Please indicate whether you already have reviewed a significant draft of the thesis: **\_Yes, \_\_No** |
| Overall quality of the oral presentation |  |
| Follow On Planned:(i.e. Presentation, Publication, or Application): |  |
| **Quality of research thesis effort:** | **On a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 is the best, this student efforts are to be rated as:** |

Advisor Opinion form (Please select one option for each question)

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|  | **Strongly**  **agree** | **Agree** | **No strong opinion** | **Disagree** | **Strongly disagree** | **Not applica-ble** |
| **Student was a self starter** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student was an innovative thinker** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student actively contributed in setting the direction of the research** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student independently derived and proposed solutions to the research problem under study** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student was responsible for major improvements/changes in research directions.** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student was able to self-evaluate the accuracy of the results obtained** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student was able to validate the results independently** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student conducted a complete literature search of the research topic** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student gained a good overall understanding of the research area from the beginning, as a result of the literature search conducted.** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student’s software implementation is of high quality** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student’s hardware implementation is of high quality** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Student is aware of the limitations and drawbacks of the final research work** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Thesis written document is of high quality** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Overall quality of the research work is in the top 10% of graduates previously advised** |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Additional Comments:

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Outstanding Thesis Award Nomination procedures and timelines

It is the advisor responsibility to insure the information is turned in by the deadline shown below.

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| Action | Deadline |
| Advisor nominates student by returning the above completed nomination form to Ms. Alice Lee in electronic form. | End of 3rd week of graduating quarter |
| OTA Committee selects ECE nominees. | End of the 4th week of the graduating quarter |
| Selected student(s) provide biography, thesis title, advisor name, thesis abstract (200 words or less) | End of the 5th week of the graduating quarter |
| Nomination packages forwarded to President | End of the 6th week of the graduating quarter |
| Advisor evaluates final thesis document | End of 1st week of quarter following graduation |
| OTA Committee representative evaluates final thesis document. No more than 10% of graduating students will receive this award. | End of 2nd week of quarter following graduation |