Formal Requirements for applications to the FGB Jr. Career Award

- Any FGB PhD candidate (external, guest or appointed) may be nominated for the award;

- The defence has taken place/will take place at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam;  
- If the defence took place, the date for the defence should be after June 1 last year;

- The Dean has approved the manuscript in Hora Finita in the period June 1 last year – August 31 this year;

- The PhD candidate should be available for the interview, either in person or via Skype;

- The PhD candidate may be nominated only once for the FGB Junior Career Award.

Nomination

The *head of the department* must submit the following as one combined PDF before the 1st of October, 23:59hrs:

- a CV (*maximum three pages*) including reference to top three publications;  
- a letter of motivation specifying what has been important and why (keywords: scientific and/or social impact, innovation etc.) and up to five statements on what s/he has achieved during the trajectory (maximum 1 page);  
- a recommendation (maximum one page) by the supervisor including an assessment of the thesis based on the criteria:

• impact in the field;  
• innovation;  
• scientific quality of the thesis (research questions, methods and analysis)

• coherence studies / experiments;  
• independence of thinking;  
• expert recognition;  
• clinical relevance (if appropriate);  
• societal impact;  
• language and style;

- an optional second recommendation by external assessor (maximum one page).