

## BEST THESIS IN HEALTH ECONOMICS

*The Swedish Institute for Health Economics and the Bengt Jönsson Foundation for Health Economics Research are pleased to announce a scholarship of 25,000 SEK awarded to the best bachelor's or master's thesis in health economics and related topics for the academic year 2019/2020.*



Health care systems today are faced with numerous challenges, both in Sweden and internationally. Demographic shifts with an ageing population in combination with a citizenry with continuously increasing expectations on what health care should deliver puts strains on existing resources. At the same time health care providers face challenges in recruitment and health care payers' issues with financing. New innovations both within the traditional medical sphere and in the digital arena are challenging existing models but may at the time provide an avenue for necessary improvements in system efficiency.

Health economics provide us with a toolbox to better understand the challenges we are faced with, to evaluate possible solutions and to contribute with the knowledge necessary to inform decisions about prioritization. To raise the awareness of this important field of research IHE and the Bengt Jönsson Foundation are rewarding an outstanding thesis in health economics. The addressed research question should have bearing on the societal challenges we are faced with today. Health economics has its origins as a branch of economics, but nominations of students from other related academic fields are also welcome.

### Conditions

The scholarship will be awarded at the IHE Forum 2020 (September 4 - 5) and will be advertised on the IHE web page in conjunction with this. Nominated theses should have been published at a Swedish university during the academic year 2019/2020.

The scholarship is awarded based on the thesis relevance and quality by a committee consisting of professor Peter Lindgren, PhD; associate professor Katarina Steen Carlsson, PhD and Linus Jönsson, MD PhD. Relevance is assessed based on how well the thesis addresses current health economic topics. Quality is assessed based on originality, clarity of expression and methodological lucidity. Both qualitative and quantitative works are welcome.

The thesis (in pdf format) along with a letter of nomination is to be sent June 12th 2020 the latest to:

[uppsatsstipendium@ihe.se](mailto:uppsatsstipendium@ihe.se)

Supervisors, examiners and students are all welcome to submit nominations for the scholarship.

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