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Unis are building towards the future

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THE state's universities have delivered four finalists in this year's Property Council of Australia/Rider Levett Bucknall Innovation and Excellence Awards.

The University of Adelaide's veterinary sciences building at Roseworthy and the plant accelerator - a world-leading plant phenomics facility at its Waite campus - have been named finalists in the public building award.

They will compete against the University of South Australia's materials & mineral sciences building at Mawson Lakes.

Flinders University's school of biological sciences project is a finalist in the innovation award, while the Defence Department's hardened and networked army facility at Edinburgh is vying for the best master-planned community award.

Property Council SA state executive director

Nathan Paine said the finalists were in the running for the Australian Development of the Year award.

"We can be particularly proud that with four projects coming from South Australian universities, our education institutions are delivering world-leading public buildings," he said.

The state finalists are among more than 100 nation-wide finalists across 16 categories.

National winners will be announced on Saturday, May 18 in Sydney.