

\$500 Award

IPAGS Research Fellowship:

Sponsored by the IPA Health and Rehab Section

The Health and Rehab Section of the Illinois Psychological Association is sponsoring **one** graduate student award to support new research.

This award will be reserved for studies in **general health psychology**:

- 1) understanding the etiology, promotion and maintenance of health
- 2) prevention, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of physical illness
- 3) psychological, social, emotional and behavioral factors in physical illness.

General health psychology is defined here as including the areas of rehabilitative psychology, gero-psychology, neuro-psychology, and specific areas of health psychology (CV, diabetes, hypnosis, mind-body, etc)

Eligibility

The award competition is open to full-time students enrolled in any Psychology degree conferring-graduate program. The research award is to assist in the funding of one student's dissertation research. Students may submit only one proposal in one area.

Research

For the purposes of this award, the term "research" is broadly defined as any scholarly endeavor, including but not limited to experiments, correlational studies, qualitative investigations and evaluation research.

Proposals

Although the faculty sponsor may be consulted during the formulation of the proposal, the student should be the author of the proposal and the principal investigator of the research project. **Research proposals must include the following information:**

- a) Specific Aims (recommended length .5 page)
 - what are the research goals?
 - what are the specific hypotheses?
- **b)** Background (recommended length 1-2 pages)
 - brief literature review of the area
 - what has past research shown?
 - what gaps in the existing literature does this research address?
- c) Methods (recommended length 2-3 pages)
 - proposed sample
 - measures/instrumentation
 - procedures
 - data analytic plan

Parts A through C of the research proposal should not exceed 6 single-spaced pages, including tables and figures. Proposals that exceed the 6-page limit will not be reviewed.

d) References

e) Budget

Proposals should include a detailed budget with justification for all expenses. Expenses should be directly related to the conduct of the research and should not be used for travel. The budget may be of any size, but the award is limited to a maximum of \$500.

It is highly recommended that the style for parts A through D of the proposal conform to the guidelines for a Public Health Service Grant (i.e., National Institutes of Health) application.

Instructions and forms are available at:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398phs398.html.

Please adhere to guidelines for font and margin size.

Proposals must be **received** by January 15, 2007 with notification of award made no later than March 1. **Applications that do not follow the guidelines will be excluded from consideration.**



With Submission

Include a cover letter that specifies in which area of general health psychology your research is.

Submit three (3) copies of each of the following:

- 1. A Brief biographical sketch of the student.
- 2. A Brief biographical sketch of the faculty sponsor.
- 3. Letter of recommendation from the faculty sponsor; the letter should verify that the proposed research is the student's project and that the student will function as the principal investigator.
- 4. The research proposal as described above.

Review

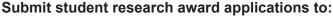
Proposals will be reviewed by members of the IPA Health and Rehab Section Research Committee.

Research Report

The student receiving an award will be required to submit a report to the Research Committee by September 1 of the year following the award. The report should be limited to 2 single-spaced pages and should include a description of the results and the plan for presenting or publishing the results. The student will also be required to present a poster at the IPA Convention in Fall, 2007.

Inquiries

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