

Division 15 Early Career Educational Psychology Research Awards

Division 15 (Educational Psychology) of APA announces the call for the Division's research grant program for early career professionals or researchers who are working in the area of educational psychology and who are members of the division. The purpose of the award is to provide financial support for educational psychologists who are in the early phase of their careers to support research activities that might not be readily sponsored by their institutions or organizations.

Qualifications

Applicants must be researchers in the area of educational psychology and must be a member of Division 15 of APA. The individual can be up to five years beyond the conferral of the doctoral degree (degree must have been awarded August 2005 or later). Individuals who have received this award in the past are not eligible. Applications will be considered from individuals who work in academic institutions, research and development organizations, or other research venues. For those individuals who are not currently APA or Division 15 members, they should consult the division web site on how to become a member at http://webbingexpress.net/apa/resources_membership.php

Monetary Award

The award will be up to \$7,500. Funds must be spent and accounted for within two years of the project's official start date, or returned to the Division. Funds are awarded in one lump sum, to the recipient's institution. Home institutions of awardees are responsible for administering the funds and providing quarterly reports to APA, via the Division 15 treasurer.

How and When to Apply

Electronically submit the following documents as attachments via email:

- A page of contact information, phone, email, and title of the research.
- A statement of not more than four pages of the proposed research and the proposed use of the monies. This document should include a statement of the problem, the research questions, and methodology.
- A budget outlining how the monies will be expended. Projects must have specific start and end dates.
- A current vita, including data of conferral of doctoral degree.
- Names and contact information of three individuals who are familiar with your work. They can be in your department or elsewhere. In addition, a letter of support from an authorized financial officer at your institution is required,

indicating that it is understood that if awarded, the grant will not pay any indirect costs.

Send the application electronically to Michelle Buehl at mbuehl@gmu.edu

When to Apply

Completed applications should be submitted by June 1, 2010.

Criteria and Obligations

Applications will be evaluated based on the scientific merits of the proposed work – the theoretical grounding of the work, the importance of the research question, the soundness of the methodology, and the implications of the potential findings for practice in the area of educational psychology. Funds are provided as a lump sum to the institution or organization; your institution must agree to be responsible for administering the funds and providing quarterly reports to APA. These funds cannot be used to pay indirect costs; funds only are provided for direct costs associated with conducting the research. *Funds may be used to pay for research assistant time, but not for salary or stipends for the applicant.* The financial support of Division 15 must be acknowledged in any presentations or publications that result from the project.