Division 15 (Educational Psychology) of APA is pleased to announce the call for the Division’s research award 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 as they undertake valuable research activities.
Applicant Eligibility Qualifications

To be eligible to apply, individuals must be:

• Current members of the American Psychological Association’s Division 15, Educational Psychology. Those interested in joining may learn more at www.apadiv15.org/join
• Individuals working in academic institutions, research and development organizations, or other research venues,
• Researchers in the field of educational psychology, up to 5 years beyond the conferral of their doctoral degree (i.e., degree must be awarded in August, 2016).

Individuals who have applied in previous years are encouraged to submit a new proposal to this call; individuals who have received this award in the past are not eligible to apply.

Monetary Award

The grant provides monetary support of up to $6,000 for up to three selected recipients at the discretion of the funding committee. Funds must be spent and accounted for within two years 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.

What to Submit

• A title page with address, institution, phone, email, and title of the research proposal.
• A proposal of not more than four single-spaced pages describing the proposed research and use of the award. This document should be structured using the following sections: Statement of the Problem, Research Question(s), Methods and Design, and Planned Analyses. The title page, abstract, references, and tables (up to 2) or figures (up to 2) are not counted toward the four-page limit.
• A budget outlining how the monies will be expended. Projects must have specific start and end dates, as well as timeline.
• A current vita, including date of conferral of doctoral degree.
• A letter of support from your institution—indicating the institution’s capacity to administer the funds (if awarded) the grant will not pay any indirect costs.

Send the application electronically in one PDF file to Wendy Middlemiss (Wendy.Middlemiss@unt.edu).

When to Apply

Completed applications should be submitted by no later than 11:59 (applicant’s local time) on Wednesday, June 23, 2021.

Criteria and Obligations

Applications will be evaluated based on the scientific merits of the proposed work inclusive of – the theoretical grounding of the work, the importance of the research question, the soundness of the methods, and the implications of the potential findings for practice in the area of educational psychology. As noted above, funds are provided as a lump sum to the institution or organization; your institution must agree to be responsible for administering the funds and accounting to the IRS. These funds cannot be used to pay indirect costs; funds are only 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 Division must be acknowledged in any presentations or publications that result from this funding. Awardees will submit a final report at the conclusion of their project.

If you have questions, please email Wendy Middlemiss (Wendy.Middlemiss@unt.edu).