



DISSERTATION RESEARCH AWARDS

2024 Call for Applications | APA Division 15

Division 15 (Educational Psychology) of the American Psychological Association invites graduate students who are members or affiliates of the division to apply for a dissertation research award. The purpose of the award is to provide financial support for educational psychology doctoral students preparing to collect their dissertation data.

Eligibility

Applicants must be current graduate students who are members or student affiliates of Division 15. Students from institutions large and small and from all domains relevant to the empirical study of educational psychology are encouraged to apply. Applicants must have submitted their dissertation proposal and received their committee's approval to conduct their dissertation work.

Award Description & Timeline

Up to two grants will be awarded. Each grant includes a \$1,500 stipend to be applied toward the student's dissertation research. Announcement of the grant award winners will be made online via Division 15's outlets and at our annual Business Meeting during the APA Convention.



HOW & WHEN TO APPLY

A completed application should contain the following components, each in a separate file:

1. A title page with your full contact information, an abstract of the proposed study, and contact information for your dissertation chair. Please name this file according to the following convention: lastname_contact.
2. A 4-5 page summary (1,500-word maximum) that statement that addresses each of the following. It should identify the problem(s) or purpose(s) addressed by your dissertation. Also, it must describe the research question(s), hypotheses, and proposed methodology. The statement should justify the importance of the project by explaining how findings from the project are likely to contribute to the field of educational psychology. Finally, it should briefly comment on how the Division 15 funding would be used to support the successful completion of the project.
3. Your vita. Please name this file according to the following convention: lastname_vita.
4. Proof of current member or affiliate status in Division 15. Please name this file according to the following convention: lastname_membership.
5. Email verification of your current program status from your dissertation chair. Your dissertation chair should submit verification of your program status (i.e., that you have received approval to conduct your proposal dissertation research). An email message is acceptable. Contact information is below.

Electronically submit applications at this link: https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0GtibZKTrO5ud3E (Please note, no automated email confirmations of receipt will be sent—but if the form shows a successful submission, you are all set!) **Submissions must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. (applicant local time) on Monday, December 9th, 2024.**

If you have difficulty, please instead send your application to Dissertation Research Award Co-Chairs, Christopher A. Wolters (wolters.21@osu.edu) and Heather Haverback (HHaverback@towson.edu).

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Students do not need to submit a proposed budget or letters of recommendation.

Evaluation Criteria

Significance of the Research Question(s): The theoretical and practical significance of the research question and its match with Division 15 goals. Quality of the Proposed Methodology: Adequacy conceptual framework, design, and overall methodology.

Please visit <http://apadiv15.org/awards/dissertation-research-grants/> for more information.