EXNER SCHOLAR AWARD CRITERIA

The John E. Exner Award honors the memory of John E. Exner, Ph.D., a pioneer in personality assessment, by supporting the research of a young personality assessor. Dr. Exner was committed to advancing the science of personality assessment by empirical research in the development and application of assessment instruments. This award honors that commitment by recognizing and supporting a young investigator examining any method of personality assessment.

Each year, the Society for Personality Assessment designates a John E. Exner Scholar. In addition to the designation, the recipient will receive an honorarium (currently set at $500) to help defray the expenses of her or his research. The following criteria shall be used to select the honoree:

1. The award is meant for young investigators at the beginning of their career. Accordingly, nominees must be no more than 5 (five) years past the receipt of their doctoral degree.

2. Individuals must be nominated by members of the Society for Personality Assessment. Self nominations will be accepted, provided the individual is a member of the Society.

3. Nominees will be asked to submit a Curriculum Vitae and a brief description of ongoing research (Note: this is not meant to be a grant application; a narrative description of the nominee’s ongoing research program will be sufficient).

4. Nominees will be judged on the following criteria:
   a. Past research accomplishments as demonstrated by publication record.
   b. Evidence of an ongoing research program that, in the eyes of the selection committee, merits support at this time.
   c. There is no preference for research topic, selection of assessment instrument, etc., but nominees are expected to be conducting quantitative research on some area of personality assessment.

5. The award may be used for any legitimate research expenses such as reimbursement of participants, supplies, consultation, etc., but is not meant as a supplement to the Scholar’s income.

DEADLINE: July 1 (each year)

RECOMMENDATIONS: Given to the Board of Trustees at the September Meeting (each year)

AWARD CHECK GRANTED: January 1 (each year)