SOCIETY FOR PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT

Student Research Grant Guidelines

Application Deadline: November 15 (each year)

The Society for Personality Assessment (SPA) will be making grants to support student research in the area of personality assessment. These awards will generally be in the amount of around $500 or less, although larger amounts will be considered. This award is open to undergraduate or graduate students in psychology or related fields, and does not need to be connected to thesis or dissertation projects, although funding for such projects is also allowable. The student must be a Student Affiliate of SPA, or may apply for Student Affiliate at the time of the Student Research Grant application; and the proposal must be sponsored by a member of SPA. It is expected that the student will present the results of the research at a forthcoming Annual Convention of SPA. Applicants may also expect to receive committee review feedback on their proposal.

The following materials should be submitted online:

- A cover sheet which is attached to this announcement;

- A **maximum** of ten (10) double-spaced pages summarizing the proposed project; the proposal should include (a) purpose of the project, (b) a brief literature review specific to the study's focus, (c) hypotheses, (d) methods, procedures, research design, and planned statistical analyses (these are key sections: be specific), and (e) a brief description of the study's contribution to personality assessment.

- A one (1) page itemized budget (use Budget Page) that includes information about other funding sources for the project as well as explicit documentation of how the grant would enhance or facilitate the proposed project; and

- A projected timeline for the proposed project that includes when the results would be presented at a midwinter convention.

- 1-2 page curriculum vitae

- Letter of support from research sponsor

- Grants will be made: by December 15 (each year)

Applications should be mailed to:
Society for Personality Assessment
6109 H Arlington Blvd.
Falls Church, VA 22044
703-534-4772

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Student Research Grant Application Form

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Tel: _____

_____ E-mail: _____

University/School: _____

Graduation Date/Degree: _____

Amount of Funds Requested: $_____

I, _____ attest that the expenses for which funds are requested
(student's name)   are not covered by other funding.

Signature: _____

Research Advisor   Name: _____

Signature: _____

I support_____ application for the Award.
(student's name)

SPA Sponsor   Name: _____

Signature: _____

_____ is in good standing in our Program and we
(student's name)   support the application for this Award.

**Director of Clinical Training
or Department Chair**   Name: _____

Signature: _____

(Please type in the person's name where indicated. The same person may sign the different non-student sections (SPA Sponsor, Research Advisor, DCT or Department Chair) if appropriate).

Budget Page

This information is to assist you in preparing your itemized budget. Excluded expenses and examples of applicable expenses are on the next page (p. 4). *Access to other funding or resources that are readily available through the student's institution must be documented and will be considered by the committee.* The amount requested for the Student Research Award is generally expected to be around $500 or less, although larger amounts will be considered. All items must be clearly related to the activities described in your research proposal. Itemize all applicable expenses to be incurred through your research project, including those supported by other sources (explain below).

	Total Amount Needed	Amount from SPA Research Award
Budget Category		
_____	_____	_____
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_____ TOTAL_____		_____

Provide clarification and basis for the budget estimate for each item. For example, if test scoring costs are incurred, indicate (# of participants) x (test scoring costs).

Identify other funding sources available to the student that can be applied to the applicable expenses (i.e., only that funding which has already been approved whether through your department or external grant funding).

EXAMPLES OF APPLICABLE EXPENSES
Compensation of research participants
Small equipment (e.g., cameras)
Recording media (e.g., DVDs)
Testing forms, materials, or required test scoring expenses
Computer software (e.g., test scoring software not available through institution)
Photocopying
Postage
Travel costs to project site (only if other than the student's training institution, practicum, or internship site); use your university's travel (e.g., mileage) reimbursement rates

EXCLUDED EXPENSES
Travel to conferences or between student's residence and their training institution
Computer equipment
Salaries or stipends
Tuition
General living expenses
Printing and binding costs