

ALASKA PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

STUDENT RESEARCH GRANT

The Alaska Psychological Association (AK-PA) offers two \$500 grants each year to support undergraduate and graduate student research and / or community service projects in the field of psychology. Proposals are now being accepted!

Grantees will be awarded during AK-PA's Annual Meeting on November 18, 2017.

Proposals must be submitted via email to executivedirector@ak-pa.org on or before October 18th, 2017.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to apply for this grant, students must be:

- A current member of AK-PA (if not yet a member, please register as a student member on our website)
- Currently residing in Alaska
- Actively enrolled in a university degree program in Alaska (students in all disciplines are encouraged to apply, but priority will be given to students who are studying in the field of psychology)
- > In good standing with their university program
- > Able and willing to present the project's findings / results in person at the 2018 AK-PA Annual Meeting

PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

The **proposal** should be no more than five double-spaced pages in length and include the following components:

<u>Cover sheet:</u> An overview of the project title, purpose of the project, student's name, email address, physical address, phone number, major, and signature.

<u>Abstract and specific aims:</u> A one-paragraph summary of the project proposal and a one-paragraph summary of the project goals.

<u>Introduction:</u> A brief review of the relevant literature that supports the need for the project. Service project proposals should also include a statement of the problem / hypothesis as identified and defined by the community partner, a discussion of the problem's impact, and an overview of the current state of knowledge regarding the problem.

<u>Project design:</u> A detailed description of how the project will be completed, including (a) the sampling protocol or design plan, (b) the methods and / or procedures to be used, (c) the content of the services that will be provided (*service projects only*), (d) the plan for data analysis / evaluation of the project, and (e) the final product(s) to be developed from the project (e.g., report, video, art).

<u>Anticipated Results:</u> A list of the results or findings that are expected. Proposals should include an interpretation and explanation of expected results or findings, as well as a discussion about or suggestions for further work that may help address the project's questions.

<u>Project budget:</u> A summary of how the grant will be utilized, including the cost of personnel, supplies, equipment, and travel.

<u>Project timeline</u>: An outline of the anticipated dates of completion for various stages of the project. For example, when you anticipate completing background research, fieldwork, budget expenditure, etc. This timeline should include presentation of your project's findings or results at the AK-PA Annual Meeting in November 2018.

An **appendix** should be submitted with the proposal that includes:

<u>Résumé or Curriculum Vita</u>. If the project has more than one student investigator, please include a résumé or CV for each student.

<u>References</u> for your project, using the conventions standard to your discipline. References should include, at minimum, the author, title, journal (if applicable), volume (if applicable), pages, and date.

<u>Documentation of IRB approval</u> for your research project (if applicable)

Optional: Letters of support / collaboration from community organizations who are supporting the project.

SUBMISSION AND REVIEW

Proposals must be submitted via email to executive director @ak-pa.org on or before October 18th, 2017. The applications will be reviewed and awarded by the AK-PA Board of Directors and be granted based on quality of submission, merit of project, and positive impact on the field of psychology and state of Alaska. Students selected to receive the AK-PA Student Research Grant will be notified via email on November 3rd and awarded at the AK-PA Annual Meeting on November 18, 2017. Grantees will also be congratulated on the AK-PA listserv and featured on the AK-PA website.