

College of Nursing Doctoral Student Research Grants

The CON Doctoral Student Research Grant is designed to support research activities by current doctoral students in the College. A maximum of \$20,000 will be allocated from the CON Research Funds each year for these awards. Each student may request up to \$2,500 in grant funds. Eligible budget items include support beyond what is available through the student's department. The CON Doctoral Student Research Grant will not fund salaries or consultant fees, nor will it fund travel costs for presenting at conferences.

Who May Submit a Proposal?

Any student enrolled in a doctoral program in the College of Nursing is eligible. Students may only receive the CON Doctoral Student Research Grant one time during their time in the program.

Submission Deadline

Proposals are accepted each semester. Deadline for Fall semester is September 15 (or the following Monday, if the date falls on the weekend). Deadline for Spring semester is February 15 (or the following Monday, if the date falls on the weekend).

What to Submit

Students are required to submit proposals in the following format. Online electronic submissions are preferred. Submit your proposal including the cover letter to [Candice Shepard](#) (cc [Heather Harris Wright](#)).

- Cover sheet that includes a 50-word abstract and signature of faculty research advisor indicating the proposal has been approved
- Itemized budget
- Budget justification explaining each item requested. Salary, conference travel, and software available on campus for student use will not be considered.
- Project narrative that includes the following and does not exceed 8 pages, double spaced:
 - Significance of proposed research
 - Goals, objectives and timeline
 - Research design & methodology
- Letter of support from faculty research advisor
- IRB Approval document

Grant Management

CON Doctoral Student Research Grants are administered in accordance with established university fiscal procedures and policies related to sponsored projects. All funds must be expended within a year and the funding period will be indicated in the approval letter. The

following conditions are required and the recipient must accept these conditions at the time of the grant award:

- A Final report submitted to the CON Office of Research and Scholarship summarizing the project activities and expenditures within one-month following expiration of the grant funds.
- All documents, papers, and publications associated with the activities supported by the grant award must acknowledge the CON Doctoral Student Research Grant Program.
- Oral presentation of the findings in a public forum, such as the department-specific Research Day or ECU's Research and Creative Achievement Week.

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