

## **Criteria for the WiSE Research Award**

Department of Psychology, Appalachian State University

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### **Please read carefully**

What you should know about this award and application...

- Applicants must be enrolled as full-time undergraduate psychology majors or as full-time students in a psychology graduate program at Appalachian at the time of the request.
- The research for which funding is being sought must be conducted while the student is enrolled at Appalachian.
- Any one project may be supported only once by a WiSE Research Award; however, a student investigator may seek funding for a different project at a different time.
- An application may be made pending IRB/IACUC approval of the project; however, disbursement of funds is only possible with verified IRB/IACUC approval.
- Whenever possible, awarded funds are disbursed to the student directly. If items must be purchased through the Department, indicate this clearly on the list of items YOU ARE REQUESTING (Form– p. 2, #3).
- Any unused supplies, purchased equipment, or unused funds become the property of the Department at the conclusion of the funded project.
- Requests can be made for assistance with the following (this list is not exhaustive):
  - Copying;
  - Purchase of supplies (e.g., videotapes, audio cassettes, test forms/protocols, chemicals, feed, bedding, software, etc.) or 'small' pieces of equipment
  - Payment of subjects;
  - Travel (airfare, mileage at the current rate/mile, etc.) to collect data; etc.
- Review criteria include: project quality as evidenced in the narrative, significance of the project for the student's scholarly goals, prior funding (higher priority will be given to students who have not received an award if all other criteria are equal), the student's ability to conduct the project, faculty support, and collaborative student-faculty projects will have priority over faculty 'supervised only' projects (if all other criteria are equal).
- A report on funded activities and use of award funds will be required.

The following items must be submitted for an application to be complete.

- Completed WiSE Research Award Application form
- A 1 page (maximum) narrative describing the aims or goals of the project and, most importantly, describing the methods that will be employed. (You may single space lines, but please use at least a 12-point font).
- Proof of IRB/IACUC approval of, or copy of the pending application for, the project
- Collaborating/supervising Faculty Member Support form