



College of Education, Psychology and Social Work

Summer Research Awards 2022

Summer Research Awards Guidelines

PURPOSE

The Summer Research Awards Program is intended to provide research experience during the summer break for high achieving undergraduate students in the College of Education, Psychology and Social Work who will be entering an Honours program within the College the following year.

The program is intended to enhance understanding of the current research programs being conducted within the College, and to provide the student practical experience and encouragement to consider a postgraduate career in research.

There are up to five \$2,000 Summer Research Awards available to high achieving undergraduate students each year.

THE PROJECT

The timing of the research project will take place during the summer vacation for a period of up to six weeks (typically between December and mid-February). The starting date will be determined by the applicant and their supervisor.

Although it might form part of a larger study, the specific student project will be an independent and self-contained body of work. All research conducted is subject to relevant legislation and regulations (e.g., ethical approval, Health and Safety, etc.).

This award is solely for educational purposes. The award funding must not be used to support research that will form part of the Honours thesis project the following year. Moreover, the recipient is under no obligation to perform any work, nor are they necessarily required to attend at the University or elsewhere. There is no intention to create an employment relationship.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be a current undergraduate coursework student in CEPSW. Preferably the student is enrolled in, or considering enrolment in, an Honours degree. Even though more than one student can request to work with the same supervisor, only one application per supervisor is awarded.

SELECTION

The Summer Research Awards are assessed and selected on academic merit by academic staff members of the College of Education, Psychology, and Social Work.



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BENEFITS

The award benefit is up to \$2,000 for the duration of the research project. This stipend is exclusively for the student and does not cover any necessary research expenses, which must be provided by the supervisor.

The award benefit will be paid in two instalments: at the start of the research project, and at the completion of the research project. To receive the final payment, the awardee must submit a final 500-word report outlining what was learnt from the experience and how it was beneficial to their education/skills development (e.g., how has the award contributed to the student's understanding of how research in their discipline is conducted). The report will need to be signed by the student and their supervisor and sent to cepsw.research@flinders.edu.au.

APPLICATIONS

Students must contact academic staff of the College of Education, Psychology and Social Work and who are within their discipline to find a potential supervisor. The student must then work with their potential supervisor to develop their research project.

Please complete all questions of the application form overleaf, adhering to the word limits in each section. The supervisor is required to provide a brief statement describing what the student will be doing (e.g., literature review), and outline the feasibility and any resources provided to ensure completion of the project within six-weeks. By signing the research proposal, the research supervisor guarantees:

- That the student is qualified for the award;
- To provide research supervision and any necessary infrastructural support;
- To provide the necessary financial resources to enable the work to be completed.

DUE DATE

The application is to be emailed to cepsw.research@flinders.edu.au by **Wednesday 30th November 2022 COB**.

The application must be filled out correctly and co-signed by the supervisor as per the form. Late applications will not be considered.

Please note: Signatures on PDF forms may not work well when using a Mac. You may need to print out the filled out form, add the signatures, scan the document and then send it in.



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APPLICATION FORM

Student to complete

Name of student

Student ID

Research Section

Please describe your key area of research interest (up to 100 words)

List your type of work preferences (eg. conducting a literature review, ethics application, data entering or coding, study/experiment design) (up to 50 words)

Why do you think you should receive a Summer Research Award (what makes you suited to this opportunity; what is the value of this project to you?) (up to 100 words)

Supervisor to complete

Name

Research Section

Intended start date

Please briefly describe what the student will be doing (e.g., literature review) and outline the feasibility and resources provided to ensure completion of the project within six-weeks (up to 200 words)

Signature of Supervisor:

Signature of Student: