SoAP ECP Research Grant

Society of Addiction Psychology
Early Career Psychologist (ECP) Research Grant

The Society of Addiction Psychology (SoAP; Division 50 of the American Psychological Association) offers the ECP Research Grant Program to support ECP research in addiction psychology. This year, SoAP will award up to three ECP Research Grants of up to $5000.00 each. At least one award will aim to advance equity and social justice, serve marginalized communities, and/or support trainees of historically underrepresented backgrounds. Diversity dimensions include (but are not limited to) race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, differently abled, and first-generation college students.

These annual awards will be presented to ECPs whose research reflects excellence in addiction psychology and will be evaluated on the criteria detailed below. The award winners will be required to attend and present the study’s findings at the annual Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction meeting after the study’s conclusion. As part of the award, recipients’ meeting registration fee will be waived and they will receive up to $500.00 in travel funds. This travel allocation is in addition to the allotted $5000.00 and does not need to be deducted from the project’s budget.

DEADLINE: All application materials must be submitted no later than 11:59PM EST on September 11th.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Applicants must be within 10 years’ receipt of their doctorate.
2. Applicants must be either a Member/Fellow/Associate or Professional Affiliate of SoAP. Applicants who are not SoAP members should apply for membership online at www.apa.org/divapp. For more information on membership, also see http://www.addictionpsychology.org

PROCESS:

1. The SoAP ECP Research Grant Committee will examine all applications for eligibility and review the application packet in accordance with guidelines specified below. Please aim to avoid redundancy throughout the application and use your space limitations wisely. The application packet must include:
   
   A. The SoAP ECP Research Grant Application Form.
   B. Cover letter: 1-page maximum typed single-spaced cover letter describing research interests, experience, division involvement (if any), career aspirations, and (if relevant) fit for the diversity award.
   C. Abstract: 250-word abstract that briefly describes the project’s broad, long-term objectives and specific aims, as well as a brief description of the research design and methods for achieving the aims. If awarded, the abstract will be posted on Division 50’s website and/or the TAN. Please keep this in mind when submitting.
   D. Research Plan: 3-page maximum summary of the research including an explanation of research design and other important aspects of the project described below. Figures or tables may be included only if they can be incorporated into the 3-page research summary. Title pages and references do not count towards the 3-page maximum. The format of the application is based on current guidelines for NIH applications (i.e., single spaced, no less than 11-point font, 0.5 inch margins). All applications must include the following components (3 pages total):
   
   1. Specific Aims: Describe concisely what the proposed research is intended to accomplish. This should include a statement of the project’s hypotheses with clear research objectives and milestones towards testing the hypotheses.
   2. Significance: Describe the potential importance of what will be learned. Do the specific aims of the project address an important problem or barrier to progress in the field of addiction psychology? How will this project advance scientific knowledge, technical capability, and/or clinical practice in the field of addiction psychology?
3. **Innovation**: Briefly discuss unique or novel aspects of the proposed study. Does the application make a contribution to current addiction research or clinical practice paradigms by utilizing novel theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions?

4. **Approach**: Describe in as much detail as possible, the methods to be used in the study and data analysis. Is the overall strategy, including participants, design/methodology, measures, and analyses well-reasoned and appropriate to accomplish the specific aims of the project? Is the strategy feasible? Please make sure to include a sufficiently detailed description of your recruitment plan (e.g., where participants will be recruited from, method of recruitment). Information on the anticipated makeup of your sample should also be clear to reviewers (e.g., 40% female; 50% Hispanic; recruiting only college students).

5. **Environment**: Will the scientific environment in which the work will be done contribute to the probability of success? Are the institutional support, equipment, and other physical resources available to the investigators adequate for the project proposed?

E. Human or animal subject protection plan (250-word limit): This section should include any anticipated risks to participants, protections against risks, and the consent/assent processes.

F. Timeline: A monthly timeline indicating what will occur over the course of the grant is required. This should be presented in table format.

G. Detailed budget and justification (150 word limit): The $5000.00 must be used to support expenses that are directly related to the research (e.g., computer time, animal care, equipment, participant compensation). It may **not** be used for tuition, additional salary, travel, or personal expenses. List other sources of funding that will support this project, if any. **No part of the ECP grant funds can be used for indirect costs or institutional overhead.** Indirect costs include, but are not limited to, administrative costs of the university and the usual criteria established for grant overhead or other costs, such as laboratory space. Grant money must be devoted to the active research project. The grantee determines how they would like to spend the money, based on their research project, which has been approved by Division 50 of the American Psychological Association. **Institutions may not deduct any fees from this allowance without the grantor's approval. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that their organization will allow such a submission. If you have any questions on how the money may be spent, please contact the ECP representative at div50ecp@gmail.com.**

H. Biosketch in NIH approved format ([https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm)). If available include a link to your NCBI bibliography.

I. 1-page **maximum** letter of recommendation from a faculty mentor, department chair, colleague, etc.

2. The application packet files must be saved as one PDF document and emailed to the ECP Research Grant Committee (div50ECP@gmail.com) **no later than 11:59pm EST on September 11th**. In the email subject line, enter “ECP Research Grant Committee.” Each applicant should keep a copy of the submitted materials. Applications that do not follow the guidelines above will not be considered.

3. Award recipients will be announced in November or December each year. Funds will be provided directly following the announcement of the award recipients.

4. Each award recipient must submit a 1-page progress by December 1st the following year. If an extension is necessary, progress reports are due annually on December 1st.

5. Award recipients are required to submit an abstract for the following year's CPA meeting, in order to present the findings from the funded study. For example, if the award is given in December 2018, the awardee must submit an abstract in 2019, for presentation at the 2020 conference.
### SoAP ECP Research Grant Application Form

**Deadline:** Emailed by 11:59PM EST on September 11th

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**Applicant's Signature:**
Application Check List

DEADLINE: Complete applications must be received by **11:59 EST on September 11th.**

SUBMISSION INFORMATION:
Please include the following with your application package, assembled in PDF format in the following order:

☐ Signed application form
☐ Cover letter detailing research interests, experience, division involvement (if any), career aspirations, and (if relevant) fit for the diversity award (1 page max)
☐ Abstract (250-word limit)
☐ Summary of research (3 pages max)
☐ Human or animal subject protection plan (250 word limit)
☐ Timeline (table format)
☐ Detailed budget (150 word limit)
☐ Biosketch in NIH format (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm)
☐ Letter of recommendation (1 page max)
☐ Saved as one PDF

Please ensure that all necessary application materials are included in your PDF packet. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Remember to keep a completed copy of all application materials for your files. Email your complete package to SoAP ECP Research Grant Committee, and address all correspondence (including questions) with subject “SoAP ECP Research Grant Committee.” Email: div50ECP@gmail.com
**Timeline for application review and fund disbursement**

**Sept (Y0)** – applications received via email  
ECP rep organizes application materials for selection committee.  
This includes removing incomplete and low-quality applications.

**Sept-Oct (Y0)** – selection committee reviews applications and selections are made  
Proposed selection committee should be comprised of  
- 1 member from the Education and Training Committee  
- 1 member from the Fellows and Awards Committee  
- 1 at-large member

**Nov-Dec (Y0)** – Applicants are notified via email and funds made available  
- Awardees will also be announced at the D50 Awards Ceremonies at APA and CPA

**Dec (Y1)** – Recipients submit progress report  
We propose the each follow-up report be reviewed by  
- 2 senior members of the review committee

Recipients present findings at CPA after the conclusion of the proposed study