About the American Psychological Foundation (APF)
APF provides financial support for innovative research and programs that enhance the power of psychology to elevate the human condition and advance human potential both now and in generations to come.

Since 1953, APF has supported a broad range of scholarships and grants for students and early career psychologists as well as research and program grants that use psychology to improve people’s lives.

APF encourages applications from individuals who represent diversity in race, ethnicity, gender, age, disability, and sexual orientation.

About the Pearson Early Career Grant
The Pearson Early Career Grant encourages early career clinicians to work in an area of critical societal need. Pearson partnered with APF to ensure psychology addresses critical needs in society.

APF supports original, innovative research and projects. Although APF favors unique, independent work, the Foundation does fund derivative projects that are part of larger studies.

Program Goals
The Pearson Early Career Grant
- Supports psychology’s efforts to improve areas of critical need in society, including but not limited to innovative scientifically based clinical work with serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbance, incarcerated or homeless individuals, children with serious emotional disturbance (SED), and adults with serious mental illness (SMI)
- Encourages early career psychologists to devote their careers to under-served populations
Amount

- One $12,000 annual grant
- An additional $1,500 for travel costs for the recipient to attend the following year’s American Psychological Association (APA) Convention

For grants and scholarships that are $10,000 or more, APF will make the award to your institution. APF does not allow institutional indirect costs or overhead costs. Applicants may use grant monies for direct administrative costs of their proposed project.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- Be a psychologist with an EdD, PsyD, or PhD from an accredited university
- Be no more than 10 years postdoctoral

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated on:

- Conformance with stated program goals and qualifications
- Quality and impact of proposed work
- Innovation and contribution to the field with proposed project
- Applicant’s demonstrated competence and capability to execute the proposed work

Proposal Requirements

- Detailed proposal that makes a case for the need to be addressed; describes the proposed project, methodology and the applicant’s qualifications; and includes a timeline, detailed budget, and justification (not to exceed 7 pages, 1 inch margins, no smaller than 11 point font)
- Appropriate use of assessment is encouraged
- Current CV
- Two letters of support
- Proposal must be submitted online

Submission Process and Deadline:

Submit a completed application online by December 31, 2017.

Please be advised that APF does not provide feedback to applicants on their proposals. Questions about this program should be directed to Erin Carney, Program Officer, at ecarney@apa.org.

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