

College of Allied Health Sciences Thesis/Dissertation Research Grants

The CAHS Thesis/Dissertation Research Grant is designed to support research activities by current graduate students in the College. A maximum of \$20,000 will be allocated from the CAHS Dean's Research & Indirect Funds each year for these awards. Each student may request up to \$5,000 in grant funds. Eligible budget items include support beyond which is available through the student's department. The CAHS Thesis/Dissertation 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 master's or doctoral program in the College of Allied Health Sciences who is completing a thesis or dissertation are eligible for a CAHS Thesis/Dissertation Research Grant proposal. Graduate students who have an approved thesis or dissertation proposal [i.e., prospectus] are eligible to submit a grant proposal for consideration. Students will need to provide a copy signed by their Chair and committee members indicating the thesis/dissertation proposal has been approved.

Submission Deadline

Proposals may be submitted throughout the year.

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 wright@ecu.edu.

- Cover sheet that includes a 50-word abstract, signatures of thesis/dissertation chair and committee members 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 the chair of the thesis/dissertation committee

Grant Management

CAHS Thesis/Dissertation 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. 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 CAHS Office of Research summarizing the project activities and expenditures within one-month following expiration of the grant funds.
- Any and all documents, papers, and publications associated with the activities supported by the grant award must acknowledge the CAHS Thesis/Dissertation 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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