

Delta Dental of Iowa Graduate Student Thesis Award Program Program Description and Application

Call for Submissions

Delta Dental of Iowa invites graduate students at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry to submit proposals for the Graduate Student Thesis Award Program. This program is intended to encourage thesis research that is of direct relevance to the costs, utilization or outcomes of dental care.

The Graduate Student Thesis Award offers up to \$15,000 to cover the associated costs with conducting master's or doctorate thesis research. Applications may be submitted at any time.

- These funds can cover materials, supplies and rental of necessary equipment.
- Salaries, wages, indirect costs and the purchase of equipment will not be covered.
- A detailed budget with justification for expenditures is required.
- Partial funding may be approved, dependent on reasonableness of the budget and availability of funds.
- A copy of the final thesis must be provided to DDIA upon its completion.

How to apply:

1. Complete the Grant Application and prepare the following information:
 - a. A proposal, no longer than five pages, that includes the research question and its objectives, background and significance, methods, policy implications or possible significance to the profession or public, bibliography (description of what's currently known about the topic), budget, and timetable.
 - b. The budget should list all expenses to be covered by these funds, with justification for each major category.
 - c. A letter of endorsement from the thesis committee chair. This letter should acknowledge that the proposed research has been evaluated for scientific merit and has been approved as the basis for the master's or doctorate thesis.
2. If the proposal is selected for funding and human subjects are to be involved, a copy of the Human Subjects Review Committee approval must be submitted prior to the award being disbursed.
3. Submit all of this information to:
Graduate Student Thesis Award Program
Delta Dental of Iowa
Community Relations
2401 SE Tones Drive #13
Ankeny, Iowa 50021

For more information, contact the Delta Dental at 515-261-5559 (voice), 515-261-5573 (fax) or sheckenlaible@deltadentalia.com (e-mail address).

About the Award Sponsor:

Delta Dental of Iowa provides oral health support through its Public Benefit Program, which is administered through a Donor Advised Fund. The program's purpose is to fund educational and research projects in dentistry and to promote the oral health of all Iowans.

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Applicant

Name _____

Home phone _____ Office phone _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP Code _____

E-mail address _____

University _____

School, Department and Program _____

Project Title _____

Thesis Advisor

Name _____

Home phone _____ Office phone _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP Code _____

E-mail address _____

Expected graduation date _____

Enclosure checklist:

- Copy of full proposal (maximum 5 pages)
- Detailed budget (purchase of reusable instruments and equipment will not be funded)
- Letter of faculty endorsement from thesis advisor
- Copy of Human Subjects Review Committee approval
- Updates of Human Subjects approval and any protocol revisions must be submitted to the Delta Dental of Iowa.

Please send this form and other material to:

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