Small Grants Application Form
Population Studies Center
POSTDOCTORAL AND PREDOCTORAL TRAINEE APPLICATION

Name of applicant:
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Title of project or activity:
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Proposed Project Period:
_____________________________________________________________________

Country of project or activity:
☐ Solely U.S.  ☐ International country or countries (list):

Human Subjects  ☐ Yes  ☐ Not Required
If yes, IRB Approval:  ☐ Pending  ☐ Approved, number:______________________
(If approved, attach approval)

Total amount of request (direct costs, no indirect costs allowed):  $______________________

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH OF THE AWARDS BELOW MATCH YOUR PROPOSAL (select all that apply):

_____ Marshall M. Weinberg Endowment: To support exceptional PSC graduate students and postdoctoral fellows conducting research and activities benefiting international populations (in particular how malnutrition, poor health, and lack of education affect societies but not limited to these topics).

Marshall M. Weinberg Graduate Support Endowed Fund:

_____ Weinberg Research Prize: To support PSC graduate student dissertation work, including support for travel and research.

_____ Weinberg Fellowships: Smaller awards available to all graduate students to attend and participate in professional conferences, domestic travel for research, summer training courses, to purchase software/data/equipment (except computers), and for other research or educational support.

_____ Weinberg Summer Prize: On occasion, summer awards may be made to early career (year 1 or 2) graduate students to pursue a particularly interesting research project (preference given to a student with a strong likelihood of a co-authored publication or similar academic product).
Marshall Weinberg International Travel Fund: Limited to education and learning experiences abroad for predoctoral and postdoctoral trainees in PSC.

Eva L. Mueller New Directions in Economics and Demography Fund: Supports research and training in demography and economics, especially projects focusing on low income countries and projects dealing with the socioeconomic position of women and investments in children’s health and human capital.

Ronald and Deborah Freedman Fund for International Population Activities: The goals of this fund are to foster social demographic research in developing countries and to promote durable ties between the Center and overseas scholars and institutions. This fund supports research and training with a focus on fertility, family planning, and family dynamics. Activities may include pilot research projects, workshops, postdoctoral research, and travel for collaboration. Support may include participation in summer courses offered by SRC and ICPSR. Travel grants will assist in developing new collaborations; awards solely for the purpose of international travel to present papers at professional meetings will be considered if a paper has been accepted and the meeting will provide an opportunity for new contacts overseas. Proposals that seek to supplement funds from other sources are encouraged.

Albert Hermalin Scholars Fund: Addresses the need for continuing education, international collaboration, and interdisciplinary research between demography and other fields through a) summer fellowships to take courses from the ISR programs in Survey Research (SRC) and statistical methods (ICPSR) and to collaborate with PSC/ISR colleagues and b) six-month fellowships to take courses during a regular academic semester and/or to engage in collaborative research with one or more PSC/ISR researchers.

Alumni Award for PSC Predoctoral Trainees: Funds for this award are provided by PSC alumni to help advance the research careers of current PSC graduate students through support of travel, data procurement or collection, equipment and conference expenses that are not otherwise covered. Open to predoctoral trainees in the second or third summers of their graduate program. Awards are up to $5,000. Budget may not contain salary for the applicant or costs for summer courses. Each proposed research activity will be evaluated on the basis of potential tangible work products – such as a paper or conference presentation – and the likelihood of completion. Students must be in good academic standing and have the endorsement of their PSC mentor. PSC trainee affiliates are not eligible.

**Required Application Materials**

**Description of proposed project or activity:**
- Include names and affiliations of all non-UM participants and note where PSC alumni are involved.
Include a proposed project timeline.

For research proposals, the description should include significance, specific aims, plan of work, and expected outcomes/products (e.g., presentation at meetings, publication, and proposal for outside funding of research). Priority will go to projects that have potential to advance an individual’s line of research, and serve as a foundation for external funding. Page limit 2 pages for research plan (not including budget, project timeline or abstract).

For training and related activities, the description should include as much detail as possible, including trainers, trainees, date, location, and any special needs for facilities, equipment, local housing arrangements, etc. For details about courses offered through the SRC and ICPSR summer programs, see: http://home.isr.umich.edu/education/

Abstract/project summary (1 paragraph). If small grant is funded, project abstract will be made available publicly on the PSC website.

Predoctoral and postdoctoral trainees need to include a letter of endorsement from their faculty mentor supporting the project.

If your proposal is for a continuation of a previously awarded PSC small grant, a brief progress report including updated budget and project timeline is required.

Budget (attach 1/2 page):

Awards may be granted up to $8,000, or lesser amounts, as determined by the review committee. Use simple categories, e.g., software, data sets, subject payments, travel, supplies. Applicant salary and/or fringe benefits and computers are not permitted. Add budget notes for any category that is not discussed in the text of the proposal.

The deadline for receipt of all application materials is May 7, 2018

Please send materials as attachments to Lekisha Maxwell <lekmax@umich.edu>