

The Criminal Justice Research Center

Call for Graduate/Professional Student Research Awards

April 2008

The Criminal Justice Research Center (CJRC) requests proposals from graduate and professional students relating to research on "Crime and Criminal Justice." We welcome proposals for research on a wide range of topics, and from graduate and professional students from a variety of disciplines/schools. This announcement and associated materials are available on our web site: <http://cjrc.osu.edu/seedgrants.html>.

Award Description

CJRC will award up to \$1,000 to support graduate thesis/dissertation or equivalent professional research on crime and justice issues. Funds may be used to: defray research expenses, contribute to costs of acquiring specialized training (e.g., participating in statistical courses), assist with research-related travel costs, and the like. **Eligibility:** Applications may be submitted by any full time student enrolled in a graduate or professional program at OSU.

Please complete the following (additional instructions are given below):

Proposed Project Title: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Applicant's Full Name: _____

College: _____

Department: _____

Current Title and Position: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email address: _____

Faculty Advisor/Sponsor: _____

Criminal Justice Research Center's Small Grants: Application Instructions and Policies for Graduate/Professional Student Research Awards

Instructions

This application form is also available on our web site: <http://cjrc.osu.edu/seedgrants.html>.

Full application must include:

1. Completed cover page;
2. An Abstract that describes the project in brief;
3. Project Description (not to exceed 3 pages) that includes the following:
 - a. the nature and scope of the project,
 - b. how the project will contribute to knowledge in the crime and justice field, including its policy-relevance,
 - c. the general data and methodology to be used,
 - d. the time-line of the proposed work, including progress to date,
 - e. other sources of research funding awarded for the current project, and
 - f. how the present support would be used to advance the research;
4. References
5. Budget and Budget Justification;
6. Short Curriculum Vitae (CV) for all applicants (approximately 2 pages)
7. *A letter from the faculty advisor/sponsor*, indicating the status of the proposed research, its quality and expected significance, and the expected date of completion of the work. (This letter may be submitted under separate cover, but must meet the application deadline.)

Send six (6) copies of the full application to the address below by May 9, 2008.

Policies

CJRC Grant Recipient Responsibilities

- We expect award recipients to be willing to present their work at a CJRC seminar. The presentation may involve the work in progress or findings from a more complete project.
- At the completion of the project or at the end of the first year of the project, whichever occurs first, students must submit a one-page progress report to CJRC, describing accomplishments to date and the extent to which the project was completed.

Evaluation of Proposals

- Award applications will be evaluated by a sub-committee of CJRC's Oversight Committee. The evaluation will be based upon the proposals' quality, importance of the work, and extent to which the work furthers the progress of the student.
- University regulations require that most research using human subjects have the approval of the appropriate review committee prior to the start of the project. University guidelines and application forms for research with human subjects may be requested from the Office of Research Risks Protection (688-8457). It is the responsibility of the principal investigator(s) to comply with applicable regulations before funding will be awarded.

Submit proposals by 5pm Friday, May 9, 2008 to:

Submit completed application packages to:

Criminal Justice Research Center
ATTN: Debbie Flower-Smith
Ohio State University
231 Journalism Building
242 W. 18th Avenue
Columbus, OH 43210

Please direct all inquiries to: flower-smith.1@sociology.osu.edu

For additional information contact Debbie Flower-Smith (292-7468 or flower-smith.1@sociology.osu.edu) or Ruth Peterson (247-6379 or peterson.5@sociology.osu.edu).

Thank you for your interest in CJRC's small grants award program. We look forward to receiving your application.