



**2021 Research Fellowship
Call for Proposals**

Purpose:

The Office for the Study of Aging (OSA) in the Arnold School of Public Health is committed to advancing research and education on aging-related issues. The OSA Research Fellowship is designed to support faculty and professional staff in the Arnold School of Public Health to conduct research in the multidisciplinary field of aging. Topics might include healthy aging, caregiving, social gerontology, the built environment, or Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Eligibility:

This fellowship is open to any full-time, permanent faculty (tenured, tenure-track, or non-tenure-track) or professional staff member with an appointment in the Arnold School of Public Health. Selections will be made by a committee comprised of members of the OSA Core Team.

Award Amount: One award in the amount of \$5,000 will be made. This award may be used for research expenses, such as travel, participant honoraria, software, books, supplies, and/or equipment, or for summer salary. Funds must be spent by the end of the academic year following receipt of award and must follow university policy. Award recipients are expected to attend monthly OSA staff meetings post award to provide an update on their progress related to the work funded by the award. Any publications or presentations that result from this work should contain an acknowledgment, such as "This work is partially supported by the Office for the Study of Aging Research Fellowship at the University of South Carolina."

Application Process:

Proposals will not need to be submitted through USCERA. They should be no more than four-pages long (1.5 spaced) and describe the research and its relationship to the mission of the OSA, with one additional page for citations. An itemized budget of expenses this award will cover must also be submitted (this is not part of the five-page limit), and a curriculum vita/resume or NIH biosketch (two-page maximum). Additional details are provided below under "Application Checklist." Please merge all documents into one pdf file. Submit an electronic copy (put "OSA Research Fellowship" in the subject line) to: leith@sc.edu.

Application Checklist:

- Research Proposal Narrative (1.5 space, 1" margins, Arial or Times Roman 12 pt., 4-page maximum, plus 1-page references list) – should specify how the work relates to the OSA
 - Title
 - Project Summary (75 words or less)
 - Introduction
 - Purpose/Specific Aims
 - Methods
 - Significance
 - Projected Timeline
- Itemized Budget (1-page maximum)
- Applicant Curriculum Vitae or NIH biosketch (2-page maximum)
- Departmental Endorsement

Application Deadline:

October 29, 2021.

Submission of Application / Questions:

Please send your application to / contact for questions
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