

## SIGMA THETA TAU-GAMMA ZETA CHAPTER

### Ruth P. Council Research Grant Awards

The Gamma Zeta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International grant is awarded to nurses on a competitive basis to help defray the expenses associated with the conduct and dissemination of nursing research projects. The typical grant award is approximately \$500 but amounts greater than this will be considered. Awards are given twice a year, November 1 and March 1. Applications are judged through committee review. Completed research is not eligible for funding. **Any Gamma Zeta member may compete for research awards.**

#### Submission Guidelines

- If the proposal is for student work, a letter from the faculty sponsor (e.g., advisor or chair) must accompany the proposal.
- The completed applications should include the following and will be evaluated on a scale from 0 “absent” to 5 “exceptional.”
  1. Application cover sheet
  2. Up to 8 page narrative, double spaced, that includes the following headings:
    - a. The hypothesis/specific aims /research questions
    - b. A clearly delineated need for the study
    - c. Conceptual/theoretical framework or rationale guiding the study
    - d. Significance, justification, and contribution to nursing science
    - e. Methodology/study design
    - f. Population defined and sampling process
    - g. Description of measures with evidence of validity and reliability (Data collection tools are to be included in an appendix)
    - h. Proposed data analysis methods
    - i. Limitations and assumptions
  3. Reference list for review of the literature, in APA format
  4. Proposed budget for the award funds, with justification
  5. One copy of the signed Research Grant Agreement
  6. One self-addressed, stamped envelope
  7. Supporting letter from a faculty advisor or committee chair if the applicant is a student

Only applications that fully comply with the submission guidelines will be reviewed. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or returned.

Applications will be considered in the fall for grant applications submitted by November 1<sup>st</sup> and in the spring for applications submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Completed applications should be submitted electronically to:

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