**Subject:** Departmental Small Grants for Graduate Student Research and Travel, AY24-25

Dear Graduate Students,

I’m writing with the good news that we will have money in our departmental budget again this year to provide limited amounts of funding for student research and conference-related travel. For research, this includes, but is not limited to, expenses such as software, pilot data, transcription help, participant payment, and so forth. Priority will be given to research related to work on your master’s paper or dissertation.

If you would like to apply for these funds, please complete the attached form, which is also available [here](https://clas.uiowa.edu/sociology/graduate-program/resources-current-students), and submit to the Graduate Program Coordinator, Beth Watson (beth-watson@uiowa.edu) We will use a rolling deadline this year. Decisions about funding will be made by the Graduate Studies Committee. The last day to apply for AY24-25 is May 1, 2025.

Multiple applications per student are allowed, but there is a $500 cap per student for total travel awards and a $400 cap on total research awards. For example, a student could apply once in January for $500 for travel and $100 for research and then again in March for $300 for research. Decisions will be made based on the availability of departmental funds and necessity of the award to the MA or dissertation project.

Please note that unlike in past years, we will not be able to carry over money to the following academic year. You will have to spend the money you are awarded by roughly June 1, 2025.

Email me if you have any questions about the application process. Please note that we strongly encourage you to apply for (larger) [GPSG travel/research/service grants](https://gpsg.uiowa.edu/grants-for-students) in conjunction with our departmental grants. There are a total of six deadlines for GPSG this academic year: 9/25/24, 10/30/24, 12/4/24, 2/26/25 3/25/25, and 4/22/25.

Application for Graduate Studies Research and Travel Award

Deadline: Rolling

Last Day to Submit Applications: May 1, 2025

Name:

Research Award: Describe the project and how the research funds will facilitate completion of the project (≤250 words please).

Or

Travel Award: Describe the conference (name, date, location) and your role at the conference. Also describe your goals for attending the conference (≤250 words please).

Itemized Budget for Requested Funds: