

Research Grant

Research is an essential part of our laboratory schools, and we recognize the challenges of conducting research while immersed in the actions of teaching and leading schools. That is why we are excited to offer a grant to support members of the IALS in their efforts to conduct research. IALS encourages collaboration among member schools who might share research interests and data collection.

Members of the International Association of Laboratory Schools are encouraged to submit proposals by **June 15, 2021** to Jill Sarada, jill.sarada@pitt.edu. A grant of up to \$1,500 is available. Grant money could help fund the use of substitutes, technology, and other needs.

Each proposal is reviewed by members of the Grant Committee. All applicants are notified of their status prior to the Annual Conference.

The completed proposal will include:

1. Cover Sheet:
 - Names and addresses of all investigators
 - Name/s and address/es of Laboratory School/s
 - Abstract of Project
2. Description of project addressing the following questions:
 - What is the project's question/goal?
 - What relevant literature was the impetus for this question/goal?
 - What is the design of the project?
 - In what context will the project be conducted?
 - What procedures will be used? What guidelines will be followed?
 - What data collection and analysis techniques will be used and/or How will the outcome of the project be assessed/evaluated?
 - What is the significance of the project?
 - How will the findings be disseminated?
3. Description of the roles of each investigator and a detailed time line
4. Description of collaboration with other laboratory schools (if relevant)
5. Detailed budget including specific information about all items
6. Description of possible external funding options
7. Letter of support from the Lab School Director/s, Department Head or Dean

Review process: Each proposal will be reviewed by members of the IALS Mini-Grant Committee using a scale from 0-5 on each of the items listed above. Results are tabulated by the committee chairperson. All applicants are notified of their status by

mail prior to the annual IALS Conference. Successful grantees are recognized at the IALS annual meeting.

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