



Call for Proposals

Small Grants for Research Using Data from the PSID Child Development Supplement and the PSID Transition into Adulthood Supplement

Deadline for submissions: 15 April 2020

Purpose

The Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID), with support from the *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, announces a small grant competition. The competition will fund 8 to 12 grants in the range of \$8,000–\$12,000 each to conduct research with data from the PSID Child Development Supplement (CDS) and/or the PSID Transition into Adulthood Supplement (TAS). Funded projects will generate papers that will be presented, along with other invited posters and presentations, at a two-day conference tentatively scheduled for 16–17 September 2021.

The goals of this competition are to encourage scholars to use CDS or TAS data to generate scientific and policy-relevant findings and to facilitate future research and collaborations including proposal submissions to the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Proposals that capitalize on the longitudinal and life course design of CDS and TAS are especially encouraged.

Background

PSID is a longitudinal survey of a nationally representative sample of U.S. families that began in 1968. Data have been collected on the same families and their descendants for 41 waves through 2019. New immigrant supplements to PSID were added in 1997 and 2017.

CDS collects information on children in PSID families. The original CDS was based on a cohort of children aged 0–12 years in 1997; beginning in 2014, CDS began collecting information on all children aged 0–17 years in PSID families. TAS collects information on young adults in PSID families. It has been conducted biennially from 2005 to 2017; through 2015 it collected information on the original CDS cohort during their young adult years, but since 2017 it has been expanded to collect information on all young adults aged 18–28 years in PSID families. TAS fills a gap between information about childhood and adolescence collected in CDS and information on adulthood when sample members join Core PSID.

Complete information on CDS, TAS, and Core PSID, as well as public use versions of these data, are available through the PSID website: www.psidonline.org.

Terms of Funding

1. Applicants for the CDS-TAS small grant competition must hold a Ph.D. or equivalent degree from an accredited institution and have an appointment as a faculty member, research investigator, or postdoctoral fellow.
2. Grants will begin in May 2020 and end by 30 April 2021.
3. PSID will fund reasonable research expenses, including investigators' salary, research assistance, data or software purchases, and relevant supplies, to a maximum of \$12,000 total cost. Conference travel expenses for one presenter will be covered separately.
4. Grants will generally be awarded as a personal services contract to one or more researchers or, if necessary, through the applicant's home institution. Indirect costs will be limited to 8% (only if made through the applicant's home institution).

5. Award recipients should plan to present a paper at the 2021 PSID Annual User Conference in Ann Arbor, MI, tentatively scheduled for 16–17 September 2021.
6. Award recipients must submit a brief preliminary progress report by 31 December 2020 and a final progress report by 30 April 2021.
7. Any articles accepted for publication that result from the award must obtain a PMCID through the NIH Manuscript Submission (NIHMS) website at <https://www.nihms.nih.gov/>.
8. Human subjects review approval (often a waiver in the case of secondary data analysis) is required for all projects before funding can be disbursed.

Selection Criteria

Applications will be evaluated by senior scholars affiliated with PSID based upon several factors, including:

- The thematic relevance of the proposed project;
- The quality of study design, including the choice of appropriate data and methods;
- The feasibility of the proposed study to be completed during the grant period;
- The significance of the proposed analyses in terms of extending knowledge; and
- The likelihood of the study leading to a proposal submission to NIH.

Application Instructions

Submit the following items through the application portal, psid.org/SmallGrant:

1. An online form with: (a) the title of the proposed research; (b) investigators' names, institutional affiliations, and contact information; (c) the name of the principal investigator (PI) if the proposed research involves more than one investigator (all correspondence will be with the PI).
2. A one-page abstract describing the specific aims and the data and methods of the proposed research.
3. Description of the proposed project in 3–5 double-spaced pages (excluding figures and references). The description should: (a) clearly describe specific aims and research significance; (b) **briefly** summarize the relevant literature; (c) present major hypotheses; (d) describe the research design, methods, and data sources; and (e) clearly indicate the scientific contributions of the proposed study. Long literature reviews should not be submitted. Particular emphasis should be given to items (c), (d), and (e).
4. An itemized budget and a budget narrative that describes and explains each line item. Appropriate research expenses include: salaries for each investigator, research assistance, purchase of data or software, and appropriate supplies.
5. A project timeline listing specific milestones for study completion. The timeline must be within the period from May 2020 through 30 April 2021.
6. *Curriculum vitae* for all investigators.

Important Dates and Contacts for Further Information

Event	Date
a. Application deadline	15 April 2020
b. Notification of award	May 2020
c. Award start date	May 2020
d. Preliminary progress report due	31 December 2020
e. Final progress report due	30 April 2021
f. Conference in Ann Arbor	16–17 September 2021

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