

ASI Research Grants 2021-2022 Application Information Sheet

Deadline: October 29, 2021 at 5pm. No late applications will be accepted.

Application Link: <https://asicsuf.wufoo.com/forms/asi-research-grant-application-202122/>



General Information and Requirements

1. The ASI Board of Directors established the ASI Student Research Grant program to support the academic research of students as part of their academic program, e.g. capstones, graduate thesis and other curricular activities. The ASI does not provide funding to support faculty or staff research.
2. The ASI Research Grant Committee reviews all proposals submitted at its annual meeting. Grants are awarded based on the merit of the proposal. All decisions are final.
3. There is a \$2,500 limit on awards. ASI Student Research Grants are awarded in increments of \$50.
4. The ASI does not fund the costs of printing thesis, telephone calls, lodging in a private/rental home, conference travel or research/lab assistant wages.
5. Grants are for research being done in the Spring 2022 semester. Retroactive funding is not allowed.
6. Applicants must be enrolled for the Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 semesters as degree-seeking Cal State Fullerton students.
7. To be considered for funding:
 - a) Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher and have at least a 2.0 GPA for the Fall semester.
 - b) Applicants who received research grant funding last year must have submitted a required ASI Student Research Grant Compliance Report.

Awards and Disbursement of Funds

1. If awarded an ASI Student Research Grant, the recipient must complete the ASI Student Research Grant Agreement form before receiving grant funds.
2. Expenditures must be within the categories budgeted in the application. Written permission is required for budget adjustments prior to spending funds.
3. Recipients must submit a Grant Compliance Report to ASI Student Government, TSU 207, by May 31, 2022 at noon. The report should include (a) what was accomplished during the time period, (b) how the ASI funding was used, (c) what the future of the project is or what the results have been, (d) a completed and signed Use of Funds Certification Form, and (e) all original receipts.

What is Fundable?

For each item requested, the applicant must submit a justification making clear the relationship between the research and the items requested. ASI funds the following types of requests:

- a) *Non-consumable items*, i.e. items with a shelf life of more than one year. By June 30, 2023, students are responsible for surrendering all non-consumable items to their department. *It is not the intent of the ASI Student Research Grant Program to upgrade university labs. Non-consumables need to be directly relevant to the research and not presently available through the university.*
- b) *Consumable Items*, i.e. items with a short shelf life or that are used just once.
- c) *Postage for interviews and surveys not to exceed \$100.*
- d) *Study-Site Travel*. The study site must be at least a minimum of 100 miles away from campus and within the USA. Sites must be specifically listed on the Expenditure Page(s) with the amount of miles from campus. Mileage is reimbursable at the rate of \$0.545 per mile. Additional documentation is required before traveling; recipient must contact ASI Student Government to ensure that all requirements are met. (There are restrictions for distance that recipients can drive. Please contact ASI Student Government for more information.)

Application Layout and Content Requirements

Directions:

- Failure to comply with any requirement may result in non-funding.
- Double-check to ensure that you have provided the complete information required.

General Information – Please be prepared to provide the following information in the wufoo form.

- Campus Wide ID #
- Personal Information: Full Name (First, Middle, Last)
- Contact Information
 - Current Address (Street, City, ZIP Code)
 - Primary Telephone Number & (optional) Secondary Telephone Number
 - E-Mail Address
- Academic Information
 - College
 - Major and/or Minor
 - Year in school (1st year, graduate student, etc.)
 - GPA for last two semesters and Cumulative GPA
 - If applicable, Campus Lab Location and Extension
 - Faculty Advisor Information
 - Name
 - On-Campus Address & Phone Number
 - E-Mail Address
- Total Amount Requested from ASI (Grants are awarded in increments of \$50 only).
- Signature and Date of Submission

Research Abstract – No more than 4 pages in the template provided

Please explain your research in layperson terms.

1. Needs Statement: Define the problem and speak to the importance of the project
2. Objectives: Explain clearly in layperson's terms what the objectives of the research are.
3. Expected Outcomes: Detail the expected outcomes, again in layperson's terms
4. ASI Funds Request: How will the requested ASI funds be used?
 - a. What is the connection between the item(s) requested and the research? Be specific.
5. Research site
6. Other Factors

Expenditure Pages (template provided)

Provide a **single & separate page** for each vendor.

- Vendor Name
- Item Name(s) & Item Number(s)
- Item Quantity(s)
- Item Description(s)
- Justification—Provide the reason for purchasing the item(s). It is your responsibility to draw the connection between what is being purchased and the research being conducted.

Faculty Recommendation Letter

Student Name shall not appear on letter. Refer to applicant as 'applicant' or 'student'. Do not use 'she' or 'he' or 'his' or 'her' or 'him'. Faculty may only use student's Campus Wide ID Number for reference.

On department letterhead, the faculty letter of recommendation should be one page and include the following:

1. Date written & addressed to the ASI Research Grant Committee
2. Faculty member's name, title, position, phone number, and email address
3. Applicant's special qualifications for conducting this research and the applicant's past performance and grades
4. Attempt to include how this research will benefit the applicant and, perhaps, the CSU Fullerton community
5. Any other pertinent information

Special Considerations

Consult your advisor if the research involves any of the below whether or not ASI funding is being requested for this portion of the project.

- A. ___ activities that have an actual impact or potential impact on the environment
- B. ___ work in foreign countries
- C. ___ research at a registered historic or cultural site
- D. ___ the need, in some field projects, to ensure that data and samples collected are properly inventoried or archived
- E.* ___ the use of human subjects (including interviews, surveys, etc.)
- F.* ___ the use of vertebrate animals, or endangered species
- G.** ___ the use or disposal of animal carcasses
- H.** ___ recombinant DNA molecules
- I.** ___ the use of hazardous materials (biological, chemical or radioactive) and potentially dangerous equipment or tools
- J.** ___ work with pathogenic or parasitic plants
- K. ___ checking here certifies that none of the above (items A-J) apply to this research

* If you have questions regarding items E or F, please contact the Office of Research and Sponsored Projects in ASC-228 (1121 N. State College Blvd., 2nd Fl. Fullerton, CA 92831), via phone at 657-278-7719, or via email at irb@fullerton.edu (human subject research) or iacuc@fullerton.edu (animal research).

**If you have questions regarding items G, H, I or J, please contact the Office of Environmental Health and Safety in office T-1475 or via phone at 657-278-7233.

In the application, you will be asked to provide your department chair's contact information. The special considerations information will be sent to the your faculty advisor and department chair for review and electronic signature after your application is submitted.