The DeVito-Lipner Family Fund

For Undergraduate Student Research

2024 Application Instructions and Cover Sheet

The DeVito-Lipner Family Fund was established by Paul L. DeVito, PhD and Rebecca S. Lipner, PhD to provide support for undergraduate student research in the Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Department of Psychology.

**Deadline**: Applications are **due by 5:00pm** on **Friday, March 15, 2024.**

**Awards**: Awards of up to $1,500 are available to support any aspect of undergraduate research, including honors theses. Supported research activities may include (but are not limited to) student salaries, research equipment or software, research materials, scholarly materials (e.g., books), printing costs, participant compensation, conference registration, and travel.

**Qualifications**: Any undergraduate student majoring in Psychology at the University of Pittsburgh main campus (Oakland) may apply. Student research projects must be supervised by a faculty member who has been previously approved to supervise directed research through PSY 1907 or PSY 1903. However, students do not have to be registered for Directed Research when they complete the proposed research.

**Disbursement**: Funds are expected to be available by May 1 and may be used for Summer 2024, Fall 2024, or Spring 2025 (through April 30, 2025).

Instructions

To apply, submit the following materials by email to Dr. Ben Rottman, Director of the Undergraduate Education Committee, [rottman@pitt.edu](mailto:rottman@pitt.edu), by the deadline noted above.

1. A completed cover sheet (see next page).
2. A 2-page (double-spaced) proposal describing the rationale and methods of the proposed research.
3. A 1-page budget outlining proposed expenditures, for a maximum of $1,500.
4. Your student transcript. (An unofficial transcript is acceptable.)
5. A brief letter of support from the supervising faculty mentor confirming that they will oversee the research project, the financial expenditures, and the ethical treatment of human participants and data. The faculty mentor must have a primary appointment in Psychology or be an approved mentor for PSY 1903.

The Department of Psychology Undergraduate Education Committee shall review all applications received before the deadline. Awards will be made on the basis of the quality of the proposed research and the potential of the student to complete it. Awards may be partially funded.

NB: Applications will not be considered until all materials are received.

*Questions may be addressed to Dr. Ben Rottman,, Director of Undergraduate Education committee,* [*rottman@pitt.edu*](mailto:rottman@pitt.edu)

Please complete the cover sheet on the next page

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Application Cover Sheet

Date

Name of Student PS ID#

Email address

Mailing address

Phone

Year (e.g., Senior) Planned graduation month/year:

Overall grade point average Psychology grade point average

Name of faculty supervisor for proposed research:

List any other financial assistance you are receiving for this project and amounts:

**Email your completed application (this form and items noted in instructions) to Dr. Ben Rottman, Director of Undergraduate Studies**