Graduate Research Award

The Graduate Research Award recognizes excellence in graduate work by UNC-CH graduate students. Awards up to $2000 will support graduate research related to Latin America, Caribbean, or Latino/a Studies.

I.   Priority given to applicants not previously funded by ISA for the same research.
II.   Eligibility:
- Full-time enrollment at UNC-CH.
- Completed one year of graduate program at the time of application. Note: Students eligible for the Dissertation Completion Award not eligible in this competition.
III.   Competition/Funding: The competition is merit-based and open to all disciplines and themes. Proposals must be well-crafted and supported by a strong academic record. The fellowship may cover research expenses such as fees to access resources, specialized data sets, purchase of archival materials or images, supplies, and transcription, among other expenses. **No travel costs will be considered**. The award can only be used for the period awarded.

The number of awards, and the amount of each, will be determined by the number of applications received and the availability of funds. **Any research involving human or animal subjects must be approved by the Institutional Review Board. No funds will be paid until documentation of proper IRB approval or exemption is received**.

Reporting: A final report is required within 30 days of the completion of the award. Reports to outline the progress made under the award period and status of research project. Students may be asked to share their experience at ISA Graduate Research Symposium, the Annual Graduate Student Orientation or other ISA event.

Where to Submit:

Send the complete and signed application electronically to: riefkohl@email.unc.edu.   Confidential letters of recommendation should be sent separately by your advisor to riefkohl@email.unc.edu. They will be matched to your application. All submissions are due by 5pm EST on the posted due date.

A complete application includes:

1) Application Form (information needed to process your application and where you sign!)
2) Project abstract (no more than 100 words)
3) Curriculum Vitae
4) Proposal narrative (no more than 3 pages of text, plus one-page bibliography)
5) Budget with notes
6) Current UNC-CH transcript (does not have to be official)
7) Letter of recommendation from applicant's advisor.