



2020 SF BTA Research Award Announcement and Application Procedures

The SF BTA Research Awards are aimed at fostering the growth of Solution-Focused Brief Therapy by encouraging original research in solution-focused practices, and to support students, faculty, researchers and clinicians who wish to study solution-focused practices. The inclusion of clinicians is an effort to bridge the gap between research and practice in advancing knowledge of Solution-Focused Brief Therapy.

Award

The 2020 SF BTA Research Awards will provide up to \$3,000.00 to support ongoing or proposed project(s), funding on individual projects will depend on the number of projects being awarded. Priority will be given to research that supports empirical evidence of SFBT practices, mechanisms of change, meta-analyses on SFBT interventions or other research, which could directly or indirectly investigate the effectiveness of SFBT practices.

Eligibility

Graduate students in any disciplines, clinicians engaging in research focusing on SFBT, post-doctoral fellows, and junior faculty who are in their first three years past graduation are eligible for this award. The SF BTA Research award will give priority to applicants who have a high probability of completing their projects. This determination will be based on many factors, including but are not limited to the significance of the study, rigor of the research design, previous research or practice experience, and access to an appropriate sample, other institutional support. In addition, priority will be given to applicants who will conduct the research study in US or Canada.

Proposal Outline

Applicants should submit an application proposal with the following content:

- Name and complete contact information of applicant
- Title and one paragraph description of proposed/current study
- A detailed description of the proposed/current study, including:
 1. Statement of the Problem
 2. Previous research in the area
 3. Purpose of this study
 4. Methods, procedures, and analysis to be/being used
 5. Significance of the study to the SFBT field
 6. A detailed description/outline of how the grant funds will be used

7. Qualifications of the applicant

Page limit of the proposal is 5 pages, single space, font size 12. Additionally, please submit a current resume as a separate document or attachment.

Criteria for assessment:

The SFBTA Research Committee will review the application proposals and will make the final decision on the award. The award decision will be based on the following criteria:

- Appropriateness and significance of the study to the SF field and in meeting the goals of the Solution Focused Brief Therapy Association (SFBTA)
- Appropriateness of the methods, procedures, and analysis to the proposed goals of the study
- Qualifications of the applicant
- Likelihood of the project being completed and disseminated

Deadlines and Announcement of Award

Application proposals must be received by the SFBTA Research Committee by **September 30, 2020**. The recipient(s) of the award will be notified by **October 30, 2020**, and the official award announcement will be made at the online 2020 SFBTA Research Day, **November 13, 2020**. The funds will be made available immediately after the online Conference. The recipient of the Research Awards should plan to attend the online annual conference for the award announcement.

Conditions of Acceptance

As part of the obligation of receiving the 2020 Research Award, award recipients are expected to:

- Submit a Study Report to the Chair of the Research Committee, Dr. Johnny Kim at Johnny.Kim@du.edu, upon the completion of the study.
- Disseminate and present findings of the study at the Research Day of SFBTA Conference in 2021 or 2022. Recipients can first present the preliminary findings of their study at the Research Day of 2021 SFBTA Conference if the study is still in progress.

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