



International Council for Veterinary Assessment

ICVA ASSESSMENT GRANT – FULL APPLICATION

The purpose of an ICVA assessment grant is to validate current, discover new, implement and support best practices in assessment in veterinary medical education. Proposals that demonstrate capacity in building knowledge of assessment practices/methods (whether pre-clinical or clinical) will be given priority. Your proposal should focus on research of performance of teaching and learning.

Total project budgets should not exceed -10,000 USD and are limited to a period of two (2) years. Further information is outlined in the attached Application form.

Suggested areas of interest/themes that may be considered are:

1. Assessing competencies across the curriculum
2. Outcome assessment
3. Assessment of clinical reasoning
4. Assessment of basic science knowledge
5. Assessment of teaching
6. Assessment of selection criteria
7. Etc.

Criteria- faculty from AVMA accredited schools.

Note that proposals will be scored and evaluated according to three overarching criteria, each with equal weight:

- Quality of the Research
- Feasibility of the Research
- Practical impact on assessment practices in veterinary medicine

Questions regarding the grant competition or inquiries about how best to proceed, please contact Jeanne Blasewitz at JBlasewitz@icva.net.

Timelines for the Grant Application Process

- April 1, 2019: Grant announcement
- Letter of Intent due date: May 1, 2019
- Full proposal invitation: June 1, 2019
- Deadline Submission: July 31, 2019: 11:59pm EST
- August 2019: Application Review
 - Applications will be reviewed by a minimum of two (2) ICVA AVAWG members
- September 15, 2019: Applicants notified of awards



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Attachment A

NAME OF PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:		
AFFILIATION:		
E-MAIL:		
CO- APPLICANT NAME:	AFFILIATION:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:
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APPLICATION DETAILS		
TITLE:		
PROPOSED START DATE:	PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:	
AMOUNT REQUESTED:		

Please submit 2-page CVs (including role in the project) for the Principal Investigator and co-applicants.

The signatures below certify that the applicant(s) will use the funding only for the purposes indicated in the proposal and corresponding budget. * - NOTE-administrative overhead/indirect costs are limited to 10%.

Principal Investigator

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Name

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Signature

.....
Date



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Summary (200 words)

Provide a brief summary of your proposal describing, the significance of the problem, the proposed research/assessment activity, why it is of interest, and the expected outcomes.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (Maximum 3 pages single spaced)

- The project description is to be provided as an attachment.
- Maximum 1 extra page for list of references cited.
- Indicate the name of the Principal Investigator and title of the project in the header.
- Note that applications will be assessed according to three overarching criteria:
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Include the following sections:

Background (max. 500 words)

- Describe the assessment/measurement problem or topic to be researched.
- Outline the significance or importance of the work to be undertaken. What effect will it have?
- Define the problem or subject to be researched clearly and concisely.

Specific Aims/Hypotheses/Research Questions (max. 150 words)

- Define the hypotheses, theoretical framework, aims and/or research questions that will guide your work.

Methods (max. 500 words)

- Describe the methods and procedures that will be used (how the research will be done).
- Indicate plans for obtaining ethics (if required)
- Explain the choice of methodology, the data to be collected, the structure and protocol of experiments (or references to published methodologies), and the analyses to be done (including quantitative/qualitative methods).

Timelines (max. 150 words)

- Grants are for a maximum of 2 years.
- Outline milestones for the proposed research, i.e. data collection, data analysis, ethics, etc.

Expected Results and Significance (max. 300 words)

- Describe the expected results of the research.
- Include a statement of the potential significance, future use, relevance or application of the results.
- Anticipated research products (i.e. manuscripts, conference presentations, etc.)



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BUDGET JUSTIFICATION

Budgets must be justified (maximum 1 page), defined, and broken down by the line-items as shown below.

Travel funds are limited to those necessary for the project (e.g., conference registration).

BUDGET SUMMARY		
ITEM	CATEGORY	AMOUNT
1.	PERSONNEL (i.e., undergraduate student, graduate student, post-doctoral fellow, intern, resident, research assistant, research associate, technician, staff)	
3.	SOFTWARE	
4.	CONSUMABLES	
6.	TRAVEL	
7.	PUBLICATION COSTS	
8.	OTHER EXPENSES – please specify:	
9.	Indirect Costs* (indirects will not be more than 10% of the grant)	
	TOTAL GRANT REQUEST	