



## **Collaborative Center for Literacy Development**

### **Research Agenda Support Program**

### **Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Awards Application**

#### ***Background and Purpose***

The Collaborative Center for Literacy Development (CCLD) supports research that is aligned with its literacy research agenda for Kentucky. The center provides funds for Kentucky state university faculty to conduct and disseminate innovative literacy research focused on the following priority topics:

1. Teacher Preparation in Literacy
2. Family and Community Literacy
3. Student Achievement Data
4. School and Program Content

To view CCLD's full research agenda for Kentucky, please visit [www.kentuckyliteracy.org](http://www.kentuckyliteracy.org)

#### ***Eligibility***

Applicants for Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Awards must be students who are completing a master's thesis or doctoral dissertation at Kentucky's eight public universities.

#### ***Awards***

Awards are available through June 30, 2012:

**Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Awards:** Applicants may request up to \$1,000 to support research for a master's thesis or doctoral dissertation in literacy. These awards may be used to support the work in areas such as data collection, data analysis, or travel. Awardees will be expected to provide CCLD with a summary of their study for inclusion in the CCLD research newsletter. Awards will be made monthly.

## ***Application Process***

### **Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Award:**

Applications for a Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Award can be found on the CCLD Website at [www.kentuckyliteracy.org](http://www.kentuckyliteracy.org).

Applications for a Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Award can be submitted monthly, and funding decisions will be made by the fifth of the month for applications submitted in the previous month. Applications will be reviewed by the Director of Research and Executive Director, and funding decisions will be based on the relevance of the dissertation or thesis to the CCLD Research Agenda priority topics. Awards will continue until the available funds are expended. Awardees are limited to one Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Award during the fiscal year.

At a minimum, successful applicants will provide the following deliverables to CCLD:

- A midterm report of research progress
- A final report detailing the study's rationale, methods, findings, and conclusions/implications
- A one-page summary of the study rationale, methods, findings, and conclusions/implications
- A financial statement showing how funds were expended

Please submit all application components of electronically to:

Susan Cantrell, Ed.D.  
Director of Research  
Collaborative Center for Literacy Development  
[Susan.cantrell@uky.edu](mailto:Susan.cantrell@uky.edu)

If you have questions or would like to discuss your proposal prior to submission, please contact Susan Cantrell at [susan.cantrell@uky.edu](mailto:susan.cantrell@uky.edu) or 859-576-4714.

### ***Notes:***

1. Nothing in this announcement should be construed as to obligate the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development to make any awards. Awards are contingent upon the research needs and funding of the center.
2. CCLD encourages researchers to publish their work in academic journals. Any publications that result from the proposed work should include the following acknowledgement that funding support was provided by CCLD: *This research was supported in part by a grant from the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development (CCLD). The findings and opinions expressed here do not necessarily reflect the position or policies of CCLD.*



# Literacy Dissertation or Thesis Support Award Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

University & Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Thesis or Dissertation Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Director's E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Director's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thesis or Dissertation Title** \_\_\_\_\_

## Financial Support Information

Total amount of request: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you receiving any other financial support for the thesis or dissertation? Yes  No

If yes, list the source(s) and amount of support. \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate expenses for which this award will be used.

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***Please include with your application (a) a one-page description of your study and how it aligns with the CCLD research agenda priority topics, and (b) a budget narrative that explains the ways in which award funds will be used to support the thesis or dissertation study, and (c) a timeline for completing the study.***

I agree to write a summary of the thesis or dissertation that may be posted on CCLD's website or included in a CCLD research newsletter. I give my permission for CCLD to disseminate the findings from this study through its website.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am confident the applicant will successfully complete this thesis or dissertation and will fulfill all obligations related to this award.

Signature of Thesis or Dissertation Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Please submit applications electronically to:

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