



Proposal Submission Instructions

Doctoral grant

Master's Grant

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NATA Research & Education
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Dear Prospective NATA Foundation Grant Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the NATA Research & Education Foundation Grants Program. The NATA Foundation leadership is pleased to offer a program that offers financial support for research. We are excited about the tremendous potential for growth in our profession that will come from your efforts. As you read the attached information, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the process.

Each year, the NATA Foundation provides funds for exceptional research projects. Applications are solicited in response to the research priorities of the NATA Foundation. These active research priorities are published on the NATA Foundation website.

Grant programs are also available specifically for doctoral and master's students. Pre-proposals are not required for doctoral or master's program applicants.

Information and guidelines for submission of grant applications under any category are available at www.natafoundation.org, or you may contact Kathryn LaLonde, MS, ATC, NATA Foundation Program and Projects Coordinator 972-532-8814 at kathrynl@nata.org. If you prefer, please feel free to contact me for clarification.

We look forward to your participation in our grant program! Good luck in your efforts.

Sincerely,

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Introduction

Proposals in all topic areas relevant to athletic training will be considered, with the highest quality of these being chosen. Doctoral or masters research grants will not be awarded to individuals to supplement or duplicate projects that are being supported by other funding agencies.

Availability

Multiple student grant awards are typically available each year. Funding limits are as follows:

Category	Direct cost limit	Indirect cost rate	Study period
Doctoral	\$2500	0%	1 year
Masters	\$1000	0%	1 year

The Principal Investigator, or an approved Co-Principal Investigator, will be required to present his/her findings at a future NATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposia.

Eligibility Requirements

The grant applicant must be the individual whose research project is to be supported by the requested funding. S/he must:

1. Be a masters/doctoral student at the institution where the research is to be performed;
2. Have masters/doctoral student status for the duration of the project term outlined in the grant;
3. Assume personal responsibility for conducting the research proposed in an ethical manner
4. Certify that s/he prepared the application and had primary responsibility for writing the proposal; and
5. Be a member of the NATA at the time of submitting an application for funding.

Submission Instructions

Please read and follow the enclosed instructions and policy statements concerning research involving human and animal subjects. Applications that do not conform to these instructions will be returned without review.

All documents, disclosures, and signatures related to this proposal are submitted electronically via the NATA Application Manager website. If you are a NATA member, you will use your nata.org login credentials for access to the site. If you do not have nata.org login credentials follow the instructions on the website landing page.

Please visit: applications.nata.org

The deadline for receipt of all materials is by 11:59 pm central standard time (CST) on February 15.

PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

Section 1: Abstract (limit to 200 words)

The abstract will be viewed as a stand-alone document. State the rationale, hypotheses and specific aims of the proposal. Describe concisely the research design, methodology, statistical analysis and expected outcomes.

Section 2: Budget (not to exceed \$2,500 for doctoral, \$1000 for masters) (2 pages)

Provide budget detail with justification for each line item. Address the following categories as a minimum:

A. Salaries

List all positions for which salary support is requested. This includes technical, secretarial and other support roles. Identify each position by name and degree, if known, or by required qualifications if not yet employed. Indicate estimated percentage of time and effort each individual will spend on the project. Salaries cannot be paid to faculty or consultants.

B. Equipment

Items of all non-expendable equipment must be itemized.

C. Supplies

Itemize the cost of supplies by major categories, such as animals, chemicals, glassware and expendable equipment.

D. Animal or Subject Costs

In the case of animals, indicate number to be used, unit cost per animal and cost for daily care. If subjects are to be paid, indicate the number, fee per subject and total cost.

E. Other

Funds are not permitted to be used for the payment of fees to professional organizations or for overhead costs. No funds are allowed for subscriptions to journals or purchase of books. Inclusion of funds for travel and one night's lodging at the NATA annual meeting to present results are permitted. Funds may be requested for stipends but not for payment of tuition.

Section 3: Institutional Resources and Environment (1 page)

Describe the facilities at your institution and the laboratory you will be using for your research. Include a listing of major equipment available, support services you will have access to and senior and/or experienced personnel with whom you expect to interact. If appropriate, also include consultants and collaborators and their contributions to the proposal.

Section 4: Purpose and Rationale (2 pages)

Use this section to critically evaluate the existing knowledge that relates to your proposal, including any of your own preliminary work in this area. Identify the purpose of your proposed research as well as the new information that this research will provide with respect to deficits in the existing knowledge. Your hypotheses, specific aims and the importance of your research in the overall context of the field of sports medicine/athletic training.

Section 5: Experimental Design and Methods (4 pages)

Use this section to describe in detail the design and procedures that you will use to accomplish the specific aims and hypotheses listed. Describe the methods you propose to use, list dependent and

independent variables and include validity and reliability measures where appropriate. Provide details about statistical analysis, including power calculations. Provide protocols and anticipated timetables. List any procedures or conditions that pose a hazard to humans and describe what precautions you will employ to minimize any risks to human health.

Section 6: Anticipated Outcomes (1 page)

Describe how the anticipated scientific outcomes are going to be applied to the stated hypotheses. Do not simply restate the hypotheses. Rather, if the hypotheses are confirmed, what specific outcomes can be expected from this work, and what will this new knowledge lead to in the future.

Section 7: References

Provide complete bibliographical information for references cited using an appropriate format (e.g., AMA). Use numbered citations in the text of the proposal.

Section 8: Appendices

This section should include the following materials:

- A. Project timeline (to include time for subject recruitment, data collection, data reduction & analyses and dissemination)
- B. Human Subjects Consent Form (if applicable and approved)
- C. Applicable forms to support study (e.g., questionnaires, data collection forms)
- D. Biosketch- Provide a two-page biographical sketch (using *Biosketch Template*) for the applicant, faculty advisor and all other key personnel using the form provided in the application using the template on the following page.

