



**Psi Chi NSF/REU Research Grants**

**Deadline for submission of proposal: April 1** [postmark]

email inquiries [[awards@psichi.org](mailto:awards@psichi.org)]

**Purpose of the Program**

The purpose of this program is to further the goals of Psi Chi by providing funds for undergraduate Psi Chi members to conduct summer research at a participating school sponsoring an NSF/REU program. Psi Chi has formed a partnership with the National Science Foundation (NSF) to provide grants for Psi Chi members to participate in its Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program. Six \$6,400 grants (\$38,400 total) will be awarded annually to enable six Psi Chi members to participate in the NSF/REU program. Each year the schools participating in this Psi Chi/NSF partnership will vary according to which schools have the space available for an additional Psi Chi-funded student in their NSF/REU program.

**Eligibility Criteria**

Applicants for these grants must be undergraduate Psi Chi members who will not have graduated before the NSF grant-sponsored summer research is conducted. You must be a Psi Chi undergraduate member at the time of submission.

**Identifying/Applying to the NSF/REU Site**

Each year the list of NSF/REU sites partnering with Psi Chi, their site directors, and their email addresses will be posted on Psi Chi's national website at [www.psichi.org](http://www.psichi.org) under **AWARDS/GRANTS**. Participating schools will vary from year to year. Psi Chi applicants will be responsible for contacting the site director of the school where they wish to apply. That school's director will then send an NSF/REU application to the interested Psi Chi member. After Psi Chi members have completed and submitted their applications to the school of interest, the site director will be responsible for initial selection of the Psi Chi student candidates and the Psi Chi Grant Committee will make the final decision on the awards. Upon selection, the candidate will be notified of the grant, and the Psi Chi National Office will submit the \$6,400 directly to the participating school.

**Application and Deadlines**

Students must contact the individual sites for application information and materials. Psi Chi does not have application materials for each program. A contact person is listed for each site at [www.psichi.org](http://www.psichi.org) along with an email address. The completed application packet is then returned to the school. Include with the application:

1. this cover sheet to indicate that you wish to compete for Psi Chi's \$6,400 NSF/REU Grant at that school,
2. resumé describing the applicant's academic history, research experience, relevant employment, and involvement with Psi Chi,
3. official transcript from the student's current academic institution,

4. reference letter from the Psi Chi faculty advisor describing the applicant's participation in the local Psi Chi chapter, and
5. two self-addressed, stamped envelopes.

The site director will then forward these four items to the Psi Chi National Office by April 1 for final selection of the awards.

**General Information on the NSF/REU Program**

Through the REU program, NSF supports 10–12 students to conduct research at each of 20–25 sites. NSF provides approximately \$6,400 for each student to cover a stipend and expenses for a 10-week research experience. Psi Chi will add to these NSF grants by providing six additional \$6,400 grants for Psi Chi members to conduct research at selected nationally recognized research institutions. This program provides students with the ability to acquire sophisticated research experience and to gain a clear picture of life in graduate school. After completing an NSF/REU program, students are able to obtain strong letters of recommendation from the top researchers in the field.

Psi Chi contacts the site directors of the psychology REU sites to determine those willing to host an additional Psi Chi student. The REU sites for this year will be announced and listed on Psi Chi's national website at [www.psichi.org](http://www.psichi.org).

To learn more about the program, view the NSF/REU website ([www.nsf.gov/funding/advanced\\_funding\\_search.jsp](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/advanced_funding_search.jsp)). Grants in the field of psychology are listed under both "Biological Sciences" and "Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences."

**Reports**

**Psi Chi Student:**

1. A final 750-word project summary must be submitted to Psi Chi within 90 days following completion of the research project. Include an assessment of the impact the project had on you.
2. Submit with the summary, an abstract suitable for publishing in *Eye on Psi Chi*.
3. When submitting the summary/abstract, include for publication purposes a photo and information about yourself (e.g., where you are from, when you expect to graduate, what degree you're pursuing, future plans, current interests, honors, etc.).
4. All application materials should be mailed directly to the school's site director.

**Participating School:**

A final informal financial summary of the disbursement of Psi Chi's \$6,400 grant to the student must be submitted to Psi Chi's address. It is Psi Chi's policy not to pay indirect facilities and administrative (F&A) costs. Final reports should be mailed to the Psi Chi address listed at left.

**MAIL TO:** [participating school only]

**Regular Mail** | NSF/REU Research Grants | Psi Chi National Office | P.O. Box 709 | Chattanooga, TN 37401–0709  
**Street Address** | NSF/REU Research Grants | Psi Chi National Office | 825 Vine Street | Chattanooga, TN 37403

<b>Cover Sheet   Psi Chi NSF/REU Research Grants</b>	
<i>Please complete this form and mail it with the school's application documents to the address of the school's site director. <b>DO NOT MAIL TO PSI CHI.</b></i>	
Name	
Psi Chi member ID number	
University or college currently attended	
Mailing address at school   Street or PO Box	
City   State   Zip	
Phone	Email
Name of school where inducted into Psi Chi	
Date [approximate] of induction	
Exact name used to register at Psi Chi National Office	
If a Psi Chi NSF/REU Grant is awarded, I hereby agree to its conditions, which are to complete the research and to submit a final report to Psi Chi, consisting of a project summary, within 90 days following completion of the project.	
Signature   Date	

<b>For notification purposes we need:</b>	
Psychology Department Chair's name   Email	
University/College public relations office email	
Campus newspaper name   Email	
Local newspaper name   Email	