



OREGON COUNCIL on PROBLEM GAMBLING

## **Oregon Graduate Student Research Mini-Grant**

Funding Opportunity – Up to \$5,000

Applications Accepted Year-Round

Contact: [research@oregoncpg.org](mailto:research@oregoncpg.org)

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### OVERVIEW

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The Oregon Council on Problem Gambling (OCPG) invites proposals from Oregon-based graduate students for research projects that advance understanding of gambling behavior, prevention, treatment, or related health and social issues.

This opportunity is part of the Oregon Gambling Research Center's effort to strengthen Oregon's research capacity and engage new scholars in advancing evidence-based approaches to reducing gambling-related harm.

The mini-grant is designed to help students launch new research, support thesis or dissertation projects, or explore innovative ideas that connect to gambling and public health in Oregon.

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### AWARD DETAILS

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- Maximum award: \$5,000
- Applications are accepted year-round and reviewed on a rolling basis
- Projects should be completed within 12 months of award notification
- Up to five awards may be issued each year
- Funds may be used for:
  - Graduate student stipend (partial or full)
  - Participant incentives
  - Research materials and supplies
  - Data analysis software or licenses
  - Travel for data collection or dissemination (as appropriate)
- Payments: Half of funds are released at project start; the remainder upon submission of the final report



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## ELIGIBILITY

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- Open to graduate students enrolled at an Oregon college or university (master's or doctoral level)
- Applicants must have a faculty advisor who has reviewed and approved the proposal
- Projects involving human subjects must receive IRB approval (exempt, expedited, or full review) prior to data collection

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## PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

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### 1. Project Information

- Title, applicant name, school and program, contact info, and faculty advisor name/email

### 2. Research Question and Background (max 500 words)

- What are you studying and why does it matter?

### 3. Study Design (max 500 words)

- How will you conduct the project? (data, methods, timeline, deliverables)

### 4. Relevance to Oregon

- How will your research contribute to understanding or reducing gambling-related harm in Oregon?

### 5. Budget and Justification

- Provide a simple table or list showing how funds will be used (including stipend if applicable)

### 6. Advisor Endorsement

- Include this statement in your email (cc your advisor):

“My advisor, [Name], has reviewed this proposal and supports this project as appropriate for graduate-level research.”

### 7. Number your responses and submit proposals as a single document or pdf to [research@oregoncpg.org](mailto:research@oregoncpg.org)



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## REVIEW PROCESS

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- Proposals are reviewed on a rolling basis, typically within 4 weeks of submission
- Applicants receive confirmation of receipt within one week
- Awards are announced by email

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## REVIEW CRITERIA

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- Relevance to Oregon and problem gambling (35%)
- Clarity and feasibility of research plan (35%)
- Potential impact and innovation (20%)
- Dissemination and communication plan (10%)

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## EXPECTATIONS

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Awardees agree to:

- Complete the project within 12 months of award notification
- Submit a short final report (3–5 pages) summarizing methods, findings, and next steps
- Acknowledge OCPG support in all presentations or publications
- Participate in an OCPG webinar or presentation to share findings
- OCPG may feature select projects on its website or in its annual report

Questions? Contact the Oregon Gambling Research Center at [research@oregoncpg.org](mailto:research@oregoncpg.org)  
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