STROHL GRANTS

Office of the Vice President and Associate Provost for Research and Graduate Studies
• Made possible by a generous gift from Dale S. Strohl ’58, the Office of the Vice President for Research and the College of Arts and Sciences offers funding to encourage students to engage in independent inquiry, artistic creation, and scholarship, under faculty supervision. The Dale S. Strohl ’58 Awards support research in the Humanities and Social Sciences for students working with any Lehigh faculty member. These grants are intended to expand the experiences, perspectives, and skills of our students through involvement in research.

• Fall Strohl Grants
  • Undergraduate Research Grants
  • Senior Thesis Grants
CRITERIA

• CAS major
• Research experience
• Advisor support
• Must be enrolled at Lehigh and participating in credit-bearing classes the entire length of the award
• Cannot be used to fund an internship
APPLICATION

• Deadline: **Friday, October 7th by 5pm**
• Apply through [website](#)
• Must include:
  • Title
  • Abstract (a brief statement that describes the project)
  • Faculty Advisor
  • Detailed proposal
  • Budget, including any additional sources of funding
  • Background and qualifications for the proposed project
  • Faculty advisor statement of endorsement – Please have your advisor submit their statement separately to [VPResearch@lehigh.edu](mailto:VPResearch@lehigh.edu)
  • Completed ITAC form for projects involving international travel
  • Research will be conducted in accordance with procedures and safeguards normally associated with work in the discipline. Faculty supervisors, as part of the normal pedagogical relationship, will provide guidance on university and professional standards, regulations, and policies.
FUNDING

• Undergraduate Research Grants may fund up to $3,000 and, if possible, should be combined with funding from other sources (i.e., from faculty advisors, department chairs, center directors...).

• Senior Thesis Grants are open to current juniors and seniors and may fund up to $5,000.

• Research should be completed within one year of receipt of the award or by your graduation date, whichever comes first.

• You will be reimbursed as valid expenses are incurred. It is essential that you check before committing to any expenses not included in your proposal. Receipts must be supplied to Laura Chiles, CAS Business Manager. Please direct any inquiries you may have about allowable expenses to Laura at lac410@lehigh.edu or 610-758-3584.

• If your proposal requires the purchase of durable materials, these materials are considered property of Lehigh University. All purchases should be coordinated through a department or program and will comply with guidelines available at Lehigh Purchasing Services.
• Any research project involving **human subjects and/or use of vertebrate animals or hazardous materials**, must not begin prior to working with your faculty mentor to obtain any necessary approvals and your completion of **any required training**. Your faculty advisor will provide guidance on university and professional standards, regulations and policies. Please see research policies located on the Research Integrity [website](#).
TRAVEL

• Should your proposal involve international travel
  • Include a $50 registration fee in your budget for trips up to 6 weeks
  • Include a $100 registration fee in your budget for trips longer than 6 weeks
    • This registration enrolls you in the Lehigh University Student International Services and Insurance Program.
  • Complete the ITAC form and submit along with your proposal
    • ITAC is Lehigh’s International Travel Advisory Committee and is responsible for recording and reviewing plans for Lehigh-supported or -related international travel. For travel to certain countries, ITAC is responsible for reviewing travel plans and reporting to the Provost (or provost’s designee) an assessment of the safety and logistics of these travel plans. ITAC provides this review because travel to certain countries requires the approval of the provost.
  • Questions or concerns regarding ITAC or your international travel, please contact Janet Zapata, Coordinator in Study Abroad, at jaz212@lehigh.edu
REVIEW PROCESS

• CAS faculty reviewers and Office of Research and Graduate Studies staff
  • Different disciplines
  • Experience with undergrads
• Revise and resubmit
• Notifications: First week in November
END OF AWARD

• When the award period ends, Strohl grant recipients are required to submit a brief report on the results of the project to the Vice President for Research.
• Finalize expenses with Laura Chiles.
PAST PROJECTS

• Senior Thesis
  • The Aftershock of Residential Security Maps in America’s Urban and Suburban Communities
  • Maternal Influences on Alcohol Use in Emerging Adulthood
  • Collective Environmental Degradation due to Urbanization in Maritime Southeast Asia: Externalized Costs of Development in Jakarta, Indonesia

• Undergraduate Research
  • “The Purity Series” – Digital Photography
  • Influence of motivation and perception on patients with Prediabetes, Type 1 Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes
  • Habitat 67 and the Architecture of Montreal
Q&A

• Who is responsible for filling out the application?
• Is the formal letter of recommendation required before a student can begin the application process?