

## **1. Enter Title**

*Instruction: The title must be brief and clearly indicate the nature of the proposal.*

## **2. Select Category**

*Instruction: Select a category that is applicable to your abstract submission.*

## **3. Keywords**

*Instruction: Please list at least one but no more than five keywords describing your area of research.*

## **4. Dissertation Grant Options:**

*Instruction: Please select the dissertation grant opportunities for which you would like your application to be considered.*

- A. MNRS Founders Circle Endowment Dissertation Grant
- B. MNRS Joseph & Jean Buckwalter Dissertation Grant\*
- C. MNRS/CANS Dissertation Grant\*\*
- D. MNRS Advocate/Aurora Health Dissertation Grant

**\*5. All applicants for the Joseph & Jean Buckwalter Dissertation Grant supports nursing research with an interest in cancer and depression.**

*Instruction: Please briefly state how your application fits these interests. (300 words or less)*

**\*\*6. All applicants for the MNRS/CANS Dissertation Grant must be current members of both MNRS and CANS.**

*Instruction: Please provide your CANS membership number.*

## **7. Abstract**

*Instruction: Please enter your abstract. State the problem, describe the methods, and identify the relevance to the purpose of the grant. 300 word limit.*

## **8. Budget (PDF)**

*Instruction: Please upload a budget.*

**Budget Criteria:** Budget is not to exceed \$2,500. Only expenses essential to the conduct of the proposed research will be funded. No indirect costs are allowed. Prohibited expenses include: purchase of

personal computers; educational assistance such as tuition, textbooks, or dissertation preparation; travel or per diem to present papers or posters; conference registrations; or MNRS membership.

**Personnel:** State percentage of effort on project and salaries and benefits. No subcontractors will be allowed.

**Supplies:** Items with a unit cost of \$500 or less.

**Equipment:** None allowed.

**Travel:** Only as related to carrying out this research proposal. Funds cannot be used to travel to the MNRS Conference.

**Other:** Include printing, postage, telephone, and duplicating in this category.

## **9. NIH Biographical Sketch of Principal Investigator.**

**Instruction:** Please upload the NIH Biosketch for the Principal Investigator. (up to 5 pages - pdf, doc, or docx)

## **10. Proposal Narrative**

**Instruction:** The proposal narrative (including aims/purpose, background and significance, methods) must not exceed 4 pages. Additionally, Facilities, human subjects, and references must not exceed 4 type written pages. (total of 8 pages)

The proposal is to be single spaced. Use .5 margins all around, Arial font and 11-point type or print. APA format must be used for citations and references.

### **1. Specific Aims/Purposes**

a. State the overall objective or long-term goal of the proposed research; the specific aims/purposes; and the research questions and/or hypotheses addressed

### **2. Background and Significance**

a. Review the most significant previous work and current status of research in the field related to the problem under investigation. Identify interrelationships of the purpose, literature, and variables.

b. Identify how your study will fill knowledge gaps. Describe the theoretical significance of the proposed research and its potential for nursing application.

### **3. Method**

a. Research Design

b. Sample/Subjects

c. Measures/Instruments/Methods of Data Collection

d. Procedures for Data Collection

e. Plan(s) for Data Analysis

f. Limitations or potential difficulties in design or methods

g. 12-Month Time Frame/Schedule of Activities: Justify that the project can be completed within the time frame.

### **4. Human Subjects Protection: Describe and substantiate process for protection of human subjects.**

**5. Facilities/Resources and Collaborative Arrangements:** Describe the facilities and resources available for the conduct of the project. Indicate if consultative support is required and include documentation of need plus Letter(s) of Agreement and Biographical Sketch(es) in Appendices.

## **11. Appendices**

## **12. Letters of Support, Access, Collaboration**

**Instruction:** Upload no more than seven (7) letters of support from individuals responsible for access to potential subjects and other resources in settings where the study is conducted. All letters of support must be attached with the proposal. Letters sent separately will not be honored. Include:

a. appropriate letters of support from cooperating agencies

b. letter from major professor/adviser (if applicable)

## **13. Additional NIH Biographical Sketches**

**Instruction:** Please upload NIH Biosketches for co-investigators, major professor/adviser, and/or consultants, if applicable.

## **14. Documentation of Human Subjects Review**

**Instruction:** If applicable, upload a letter from the Institutional Review Board (IRB) verifying that the project has been reviewed and approved. If the project has not yet been reviewed, give the anticipated date of review. Documentation of the approval is required prior to receipt of the grant.

## **15. Measures /Instruments**

**Instruction:** A copy of all instruments should be uploaded. If an instrument is not in the public domain, include documentation of permission to use the instrument