

## *Guidelines for Research Grants*

### **Theta Pi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau Illinois Wesleyan University**

#### **Research/Awards Subcommittee**

The Research/Awards Subcommittee of the Leadership Succession Committee shall consist of three appointed members and others as appointed who have experience in conducting research and/or nursing education. The Research/Awards Subcommittee reviews all proposals; recommends the awards of grants and allocation of funds; monitors fund usage by grant recipients; secures reports of research for public distribution; and maintains a five-year record of grant recipients (recipient's name and address, amount of award, abstract of project, and criteria for selection). The Chapter's Board of Directors acts upon recommendations of the Research/Awards Committee. The Chapter Treasurer forwards checks from the research fund to the award recipient.

#### **Purpose of the Research Award**

The purpose of the fund is to encourage research by qualified nurses and/or graduate nursing students who are conducting research to advance knowledge relevant to nursing.

#### **Eligibility**

1. Applicant has formal preparation in conducting nursing research and
2. Applicant holds a baccalaureate degree in nursing or
3. Applicant is enrolled in a higher degree program in nursing or a doctoral program.
4. Preference will be given to nurses who are members of Theta Pi Chapter of STTI.
5. A Research/Awards Subcommittee member may apply for a research award. In this case, the subcommittee would appoint an alternate to replace the subcommittee member in any deliberations and voting related to the subcommittee member's application.

#### **Amount of Award**

The amount of the award may vary from year to year, depending upon the funds requested, the number of requests, and the money available in the chapter research fund. The award may be used for any legitimate expense associated with the study.

The approximate amount of the grant is **\$500.00**.

#### **Relevant Deadlines**

1. Proposal deadline: **Friday March 13, 2009**.
2. Announcement of the Award: **Sunday, April 19, 2009** at the Theta Pi Induction Ceremony at Evelyn Chapel on the IWU campus.
3. The research must be completed within two years of the award. The Committee may extend this period if the recipient submits a progress report to the Committee.

#### **Proposal Requirements**

1. Applicant completes and signs the Research Grant Agreement Form.
2. Applicant completes and signs Application Form for Research Grant.
3. Applicant submits research proposal.
4. Applicant submits resume or curriculum vitae.
5. Applicant provides evidence of preliminary agency approval, if required, for the proposed project.

#### **Application Forms**

Application forms for the Research Award are available from Theta Pi Chapter of STTI, Illinois Wesleyan University School of Nursing, Box 2900, Bloomington, Illinois 61702-2900, (309) 556-3051. Applications may be returned to the same address or submitted to Chelsea Yontz, Chairperson of the Research/Award Subcommittee, 54 Vermont Ave. Bloomington, IL, 61701. For questions, please call Chelsea at (309)275-4323 or email at [cyontz@alumni.iwu.edu](mailto:cyontz@alumni.iwu.edu).