**SAIGE Research Grant Proposals—2023-2024**

**Deadline:** To be considered, the submission email must be received by 11:59 p.m. EST, November 1, 2023. All submissions that are received by the deadline and meet all listed requirements will be considered.

**Purpose:** The purpose for this call for proposals is to fund research that supports the mission of the Society for Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, and Gender Expansive Identities (SAIGE), specifically,

* Research to promote greater awareness and understanding of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender expansive, and queer/questioning (LGBTGEQ+) issues among members of the counseling profession and related helping occupations;
* Research to improve standards and delivery of counseling services provided to LGBTGEQ+ clients and communities;
* Research to identify conditions that create barriers to the human growth and development of LGBTGEQ+ clients and communities, as well as the use of counseling skills, programs, and efforts to preserve, protect, and promote such development;
* Research that develops, implements, and fosters interest in counseling-related charitable, scientific, and educational programs designed to further the human growth and development of LGBTGEQ+  
   clients and communities;
* Research to secure equality of treatment, advancement, qualifications, and status of LGBTGEQ+ members of the counseling profession and related helping occupations.

**Who May Apply:** Proposals from current professional and student members of SAIGE will be considered. Individuals may submit (or be part of a submission team) for only one proposal. ALL members of the submission team must be members of SAIGE.

**Maximum Amount Funded:** SAIGE has allocated $1,000 to fund two research proposals – each will receive $500 for research projects.

**\*\*For 2023-2024, special consideration will be given to researchers proposing research related to Queer and Trans Black and Indigenous People of Color (QTBIPOC). SAIGE members submitting grant proposals for research being conducted with and/or by QTBIPOC individuals will be given priority consideration.**

**Proposal Submission:** Proposals must adhere to each of the following requirements to be considered:

* Submit proposal to Dr. Whitney P. Akers, [research@saigecounseling.org](mailto:research@saigecounseling.org) by 11:59 p.m. EST, November 1, 2023;
* Email only, no paper or faxed proposals considered;
* Email subject line: SAIGE RESEARCH GRANT PROPOSAL;
* Attachment 1—Completed application form (copy page 3 of this document);
* Attachment 2—Deidentified copy of proposal (if any included information may be used to identify an applicant by name or location, application will be disqualified);
* Attachment 3—Copy of proposal including name(s) of applicant(s);
* Attachment 4—Deidentified positionality statement detailing researcher or research team positionality/intersectional identities;
* Additional attachments will not be reviewed.

**Proposal Format:**

* Microsoft Word document only; other file formats will not be reviewed;
* Times New Roman, 12-point font, double spaced, one-inch margins;
* Five (5) pages maximum, not including application form or references;
* No title page; only the first five pages of a proposal will be reviewed.
* APA Formatting 7th Edition required

**Recommended outline for proposal:**

* Rationale, including brief literature review;
* Methodology;
* Ethical considerations;
* Budget, including any other funding for the research (source and amount);
* Plan for dissemination;
* References.

**Conditions of Award Acceptance:**

* Funds may not be used for time compensation (including GA work) unless employee is provided with an IRS Form 1099 so that payment may be taxed appropriately.
* Funds may be used for time such as transcription or statistical consultation if receipts are provided. Primary researcher must maintain copies of receipts and make them available to SAIGE upon request.
* The proposed project may not be completed prior to grant being awarded.
* Within 12 months of the grant being awarded, the researcher(s) is required to submit to SAIGE a report detailing status of project and utilization of funds/continued plan to utilize funds. Please submit to [research@saigecounseling.org](mailto:research@saigecounseling.org)
* Within 24 months of the grant being awarded, the researcher(s) is required to submit to SAIGE a copy of either a proposal to present results at the SAIGE National Conference (as poster or education session), ACA World Conference (as poster or education session), or the manuscript that has been submitted to a refereed journal for publication consideration. Special preference will be provided to applicants who target the Journal of LGBTQ Issues in Counseling (JLGBTQIC) as a potential dissemination source. Please submit to [research@saigecounseling.org](mailto:research@saigecounseling.org)
* The researcher will include an acknowledgment of SAIGE’s financial support in all reports, presentations, or publications related to the project.

**Evaluation Criteria:** Proposals will be evaluated by the research committee using the following criteria:

* Qualifications of the researcher(s)—all research team members must be professional or student members of SAIGE, who are submitting only one proposal for this grant cycle. Applicant ACA ID numbers should be included in the application form and proposal title page in Attachment 3 (non-deidentified information).
* Quality of the proposed research
* Proposed research supports the SAIGE mission (25 points possible)
* Proposed research is relevant as evidenced by the literature review (25 points possible)
* Proposed research methodology is well detailed, appropriate for the research question, meets applicable ethical standards, and follows accepted practice (25 points possible)
* Proposed research is formatted correctly (APA 7th Edition), and presented in a professional manner (10 points possible)
* Financial need—proposed budget is clear and itemized and meets the listed requirements for award acceptance (10 points possible)
* Plan for dissemination—clear, feasible, and appropriate plan to disseminate research findings, including listed requirements for acceptance (5 points possible)

**Grants Award Date:** Recipients will be notified of awards by December 15, 2023.

**For more information,** contact Whitney Akers, [research@saigecounseling.org](mailto:research@saigecounseling.org), SAIGE Professional Trustee for Research & Scholarship.

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**Application Form**

Principal Researcher:

ACA Membership #:

Title:

Institution:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Email:

Additional Researchers (name, ACA ID#, title, institution):

Title of Proposed Research:

All researchers listed are members of SAIGE (Required) yes/no?

Membership Status of Applicants: Professional or student?

This proposal is the only submission by this/these researcher(s) for the SAIGE grant this year (yes/no)?

Is this project supported by another funding source (yes/no)?

If yes, provide source(s) and amount(s):

Researchers are willing to comply with all conditions of the SAIGE award as listed in the call for proposals, including requirements for dissemination of findings and acknowledgement of SAIGE support (yes/no)?