

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID DOCTORAL STUDENT GRANTS

The Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) USA Doctoral Student Grants represent a commitment by the National Council for Mental Wellbeing to grow the research behind and evaluation of all MHFA programs. Each year, the grant will provide a one-time award of \$5,000 to four outstanding full-time doctoral candidates who demonstrate significant potential as researchers in their fields of study and who are interested in evaluating the outcomes of MHFA trainings in the U.S.

ELIGIBILITY

- Full-time doctoral student pursuing a degree in psychology, public health, or related field of study.
- Previous evaluation experience and demonstrated ability to document findings through publications and/or presentations.
- Documented experience with MHFA (e.g., as an MHFA Instructor or Coordinator) and/or strong interest in MHFA.
- Bring a strong diversity, equity, and inclusion lens to their research, or explore a population's experience with an MHFA program and recommend ways to make the curriculum more culturally relevant to that specific group.

REQUIREMENTS

Once funded, doctoral grant recipients must:

- Submit regular research updates to the MHFA team.
- Participate in quarterly research calls with other grantees.
- Submit a final report of research findings to the MHFA team within two years of receiving the grant.
- Participate as a presenter at an MHFA-sponsored event highlighting research.
- Pursue a formal publication or presentation opportunity. (MHFA- or National Council-sponsored opportunities, such as NatCon, the MHFA Summit or a MHFA Research Symposium, may be allowed).

APPLY!

The application will be posted on May 21, 2021. The deadline for applying is June 18, 2021.

Visit MentalHealthFirstAid.org/DoctoralGrants to apply.

*Founded in 1969, the **National Council for Mental Wellbeing** is a membership organization that drives policy and social change on behalf of nearly 3,500 mental health and substance use treatment organizations and the more than 10 million children, adults and families they serve. We advocate for policies to ensure equitable access to high-quality services. We build the capacity of mental health and substance use treatment organizations. And we promote greater understanding of mental wellbeing as a core component of comprehensive health and health care. Through our **Mental Health First Aid** program, we have trained more than 2.5 million people in the U.S. to identify, understand and respond to signs and symptoms of mental health and substance use challenges.*