

SDBP RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM – 2020 - Applications will open April 2020.

The Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics (SDBP) will be selecting qualified applicants for the Research Scholars Symposium prior to the SDBP Annual Meeting. The SDBP Research Scholars Symposium is focused on fostering high quality developmental and behavioral research through this intensive "research in progress" program. Interprofessional senior SDBP leaders will provide research mentorship to junior faculty (who have completed training within 5 years) and trainees (i.e., developmental behavioral pediatric fellows, advanced psychology graduate students who have their master's degrees, psychology interns or fellows, and nurse practitioner doctoral students) conducting research.

This year's Symposium will take place on October 8-9, 2020 (Thursday 4pm-8pm/Friday 7:30am-1pm) in Austin, Texas, just prior to the SDBP Annual Meeting.

Up to 18 SDBP Research Scholars will be accepted into this program. Scholars will have the opportunity to:

- Receive individualized feedback on their research in progress from senior mentors and peers
- Learn about how to launch and maintain a research career
- Network with senior mentors and other SDBP Research Scholars across disciplines

These Symposium Awards will be competitive and the SDBP Research Scholars Symposium committee will review all applications. Applicants who are selected to participate will attend the SDBP Research Scholars Symposium **free of charge, AND lodging will be provided for the 2 nights (2 fellows sharing a room Thurs night & Friday night)**. Please note: Scholars from the 2019 Symposium are permitted to reapply for the 2020 Research Scholars Symposium, however, no hotel lodging assistance will be provided. Repeat Scholars who resubmit will only be considered if they have completed all Research Symposium follow-up surveys that have been sent out.

As a requirement of the program, attendees must be current members in good standing of SDBP (current 2020 members) and must register and pay for the Annual Meeting.

Scholars will be assigned to tables that include 2-4 mentors. Each scholar will be expected to present their project to their table and should be prepared to critique and offer feedback to their peers on their research in progress. (Abstracts will be sent in advance of the meeting).

Applications must include the following items:

1. An abstract (500 word limit) that contains
 - Title
 - Study background, rationale and aims
 - Methods including overall methodology, sample, intervention (if any), assessments, planned analyses
 - Progress to date including preliminary results
 - Implications for developmental-behavioral science, practice and/or policy
 - If the research is funded or applications for funding have been submitted, please include that information with your abstract
 - References: at least 5-10 major background references that you used to develop this project (*references not included in abstract word count.*)
2. Brief Candidacy Statement (250 word limit) that contains
 - Specific goals for attending the Symposium as it relates to your research
3. Your CV
4. Mentor Letter of Support including:
 - How well mentor knows the applicant

- How mentor's expertise dovetails with the candidate's proposed study
- How much time the mentor plans to spend with the candidate on this project and will it be live or distal
- The anticipated role of the applicant in the proposed study
- How much time the candidate will have to dedicate to the project
- Other institutional support

Important: you may also submit an abstract to the SDBP Annual Meeting, as this does NOT preclude you from applying to the SDBP Research Scholars Symposium, which will undergo a separate submission process as outlined on this application.