



NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

## College of Education

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### **JERRY JOHNS LITERACY PRESENTATION AWARD**

#### **Purpose of Award**

To help master's and doctoral students in Curriculum & Instruction defray costs associated with a presentation at a meeting or conference related to literacy.

#### **Scholarship Criteria and Selection**

To the fullest extent allowable under current applicable law, the process and preferred criteria for the selection of scholarship recipients are as follows:

1. The preferred candidate:
  - a. is enrolled in the M.S. Ed. program in Curriculum & Instruction with focus on reading; or
  - b. is enrolled in the Ed.D. program in Curriculum and Instruction with a specialization in Literacy Education and a direct focus on reading;
  - c. has a proposal accepted for a state, regional, national, or international conference related to reading, pedagogy, theory, or research. No awards will be given for local presentations (for example, Northern Illinois Reading Council).
2. The award(s) shall be given to an individual for one presentation to be made at a conference or professional meeting per year. Evidence of the paper/presentation should be filed with the Department of Curriculum & Instruction.
3. Applicants may receive an award for up to four (4) years. New applicants have priority over applicants who have one, two, or three awards.
4. The selection of recipients will be made by a committee of three (3) faculty members in the Department of Curriculum & Instruction.

#### **Letter of Support**

A letter from your advisor supporting and highlighting your contributions to literacy education should be included with your application.

#### **Amount of Award(s)**

It is expected that a total of over \$2,000 will be available for distribution each year. The specific amounts will vary according to the number of applicants, the funds requested, and additional contributions to the fund. Partial funding for applicants will be an option.

#### **Contact the Chair:**

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#### **Submit Your Completed Application Form to:**

Selection Committee  
Jerry Johns Literacy Presentation Award  
NIU Curriculum & Instruction Department  
147 Gabel Hall  
DeKalb, IL 60115

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**APPLICATION FOR THE  
JERRY JOHNS LITERACY PRESENTATION AWARD**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Work (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Conference/Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Money Requested \_\_\_\_\_ ZID# \_\_\_\_\_

Details of Money Requested (Breakdown of Costs) \_\_\_\_\_

**YES NO**

1. Are you a master's or doctoral student of good standing in Curriculum & Instruction in the College of Education at NIU? If yes, please indicate level and advisor. \_\_\_\_\_

2. Have you had a proposal for a paper/presentation **accepted** at a state, regional, national, or international conference related to literacy? If yes, please attach your proposal and evidence of its acceptance.

3. Have you received a previous literacy presentation award? If yes, briefly provide the information (name of conference, number attending your session, resulting research or publication). \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. If you are selected to receive an award, would you accept partial funding?

5. Have you requested money from any other source? If yes, provide details.  
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6. Have you included a letter of support from your advisor?

I certify that the above information is accurate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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