



International Society for Self & Identity 2026 Mini Research Grant Program

ISSI is pleased to announce a call for proposals for the 2026 Mini Research Grant Program. This program provides research support to current Ph.D. students and people who have received their Ph.D. within the last 10 years in the areas of self and identity, broadly defined.

We will award up to 3 mini grants at a maximum of \$1,000 each. The grant funds can only be used, through a reimbursement process, for research-related expenses. Examples of appropriate research expenses are participant compensation via online data collection platforms (e.g., MTurk, Prolific, CloudResearch), research-related equipment, software, etc. Neither salary nor travel-related expenses can be reimbursed.

ELIGIBILITY AND RULES:

1. Must be currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program, or be within 10 years of receiving your Ph.D. and have an academic appointment (non-tenured or tenured, including postdoctoral positions) at an educational institution.
2. Past recipients of an ISSI Mini Research Grant are ineligible to apply again in 2026.
3. All applicants must be members of ISSI (membership fees are \$10 for students and \$20 for faculty).
4. If you are a Ph.D. student, please submit a brief letter of support from your advisor indicating their acknowledgment and support of the project for which you are applying for research funds. Letters of support may be no more than 1 page maximum and must be in PDF format.
5. The research project for which you're requesting funds must not be already complete.
6. You must submit your completed application via [Google form](#) by midnight (Pacific Daylight Saving Time) Friday, September 25, 2026.

ITEMS YOU WILL NEED TO SUBMIT VIA GOOGLE FORM:

1. Brief description of the research project for which funds are being requested (no more than 300 words) – be sure to articulate the main research question/hypothesis of the study, its design and methodology, and planned analyses. Please include a power analysis or other justification for sample size.
2. Relevance and significance of your proposed research to the field of self and identity (no more than 150 words).
3. Brief budget and justification outlining what the research funds will be used to cover (no more than 150 words).
4. CV
5. Letter of support from your advisor (current PhD students only)

CRITERIA FOR FUNDING:

Main criteria for funding are: (a) Soundness of research question, design, and planned analysis; and (b) relevance and significance of research to the field of self and identity.