

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: <u>APSA MENA PROFESSIONAL</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT GRANTS</u>

Deadline: October 3, 2020

Overview

APSA's Professional Development Grants for Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Workshops alumni support research and networking activities and promote collaboration between scholars and institutions across the Arab MENA region. Over the past year, the spread of COVID-19 has limited opportunities for travel and in-person collaboration while bringing new obstacles for how scholars teach, collect data, and advance research towards publication. In response, APSA has expanded the 2020 small grants program to better support alumni during these challenging times. With support from Carnegie Corporation of New York, we are pleased to announce a Call for Applications from all APSA MENA alumni (2013-2020 cohorts) for small individual grants of up to \$400.

Types of Activities

Individual research grants are **open for all APSA MENA Workshop alumni**. Grant funds can be used in support of the following activities/expenses:

- in-country field research/data collection, in line with local health guidelines or restrictions;
- Purchasing necessary software (NVivo, Stata, etc.)
- Accessing digital archives or other online resources;
- Transcription services
- Support for an RA to help with data collection, analysis, etc.

Application Guidelines:

All applications should be submitted through the online form by **Sunday October 3, 2020**.

Applicants for should submit the following documents:

- Updated CV for applicant;
- A statement (no more than 500 words) describing how grant funds will support your current research and how the project relates to your overall professional development;
- An itemized budget identifying the amount requested and how it will be used (be as specific as possible with each line item);

Grant funds will be disbursed via a wire transfer or a direct deposit. All projects must be completed within one year of the date awarded. Awardees will be required to submit upon completion a final narrative and expense report. Any unexpended funds must be returned to APSA at the conclusion of the grant period.

Applicants are encouraged to reach out to APSA staff with any questions regarding their application prior to the grant deadline. Accepted grantees will be notified by end of October.

If you have any questions, please contact Ahmed Morsy at amorsy@apsanet.org.