

Data Collection Grant

This grant can help MSc students with the costs of collecting and analyzing data while completing research for a thesis. Your request must be submitted when you have your Research Ethics Board (REB) application approved. The applicant will be notified of the decision via email within one week of submission. Applications are open year-round until funds are depleted. The maximum amount available for this grant is \$500. Following approval of your grant, you have 90 days to collect data and submit your receipts for reimbursement. You can only have one approved grant during your MSc program and the application must be directly relevant to your thesis.

How to apply:

- 1- Complete the attached application form.
- 2- Make sure both you and your supervisor sign the document.
- 3- Send the application form and your REB approval in one email to MScB@dal.ca and include Data Collection Grant as the subject of your email.

How to receive the funds:

- 1- Following approval of your application, you have 90 days to complete the data collection and submit your documents for reimbursement.
- 2- If you pay cash/gift card to participants, make sure to keep a record of payments, including name and signature from each recipient.
- 3- If you collect data using online platforms (e.g., Mturk, CloudResearch, Prolific), make sure to submit the recipient's ID and the details of payment to each participant, in addition to your payment receipts to the platforms.

Frequently Asked Questions:

How much funding is available and what type of costs are supported?

The grant provides up to \$500 toward direct data collection expenses such as payments to participants (online or in-person) or direct expenses related to running a primary data collection study.

I have my REB application in progress. Can I apply before my REB is approved to secure the grant?

No, you must submit your application after REB approval. You must attach the REB approval to your application. Otherwise, your application will be returned.

Can I get the fund in advance of data collection?

You will be reimbursed of your expenses after you have collected your data. When your grant is approved, you will receive information on how to request reimbursement.

How long after my grant is approved do I have to submit my receipts?

You have 90 days after your grant is approved to submit receipts for reimbursement. If you don't submit your receipts within 90 days, your funding will be given to other applicants. If you require an extension, you are encouraged to discuss your request with the MSc Program Director as soon as you anticipate any delay in your data collection.

Can I use this grant to pay myself a stipend or hire a research assistant, or use it for travel?

No.

Is it a guaranteed grant?

No, we have a limited budget for this purpose and therefore you are encouraged to apply for this grant as soon as you receive REB approval. When the budget is depleted, we are unable to approve any further applications for that academic year.

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Your full name:

Email address:

Banner number:

Name of your supervisor:

Please provide a summary of your research and why you need this funding for data collection (up to 150 words):

Have you received financial support for this research from another source, and if so, in what amount?

How much money you requesting from this funding (max \$500)?

Signature of Student

Signature of your supervisor

Office Use Only

Date received:

Decision:

Approved

Rejected

Decision communicated on: