

Research Grants



The National Association for Alternative Certification (NAAC) announces its 2009 Research Grant competition. NAAC will award up to two grants of \$2,000 each for quantitative or qualitative research projects related to alternative certification. Award recipients will be invited to present their research at the next NAAC annual conference and to submit a manuscript to the *Journal of the National Association for Alternative Certification*.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: June 30, 2009

Eligibility Requirements:

- You must currently be a member of NAAC. The membership application form is on the website (www.alternativecertification.org) and dues are \$50 for one year.
- You must agree to register and to attend the 2010 NAAC Annual Conference to present the results of your research. (A maximum of \$1,000 of grant funds may be allotted to offset the cost of attending the conference).
- You must agree to submit your research findings to NAAC for publication in the *Journal of the National Association for Alternative Certification*.

To apply, submit the following:

- ❖ Cover sheet (Downloadable Word Document)
- ❖ Approval Authority (if applicable)
- ❖ A brief abstract of the proposal (do not exceed ½ page)
- ❖ A narrative description of the proposal (maximum length three pages) to include
 - Size and scope of the project
 - Target population including number of people involved and potential number of people impacted
 - Goals and objectives
 - Project emphasis area(s)
 - Evaluation plan
- ❖ Vita of project leader(s) and a paragraph summarizing the qualifications of personnel specific to this project.
- ❖ Budget: Provide a detailed budget with justifications for each item included. Funds requested must be clearly related to the goals and objectives of the proposal. You may submit an excel spreadsheet as long as you have incorporated narrative for each line item.

Submission Instructions:

- Submit one electronic copy (Word document) to: judyc@alternativecertification.org
- Name your file as follows: yourlastname-firstname-research.doc
- Use 10 or 12 point Times New Roman or Arial font and 1 inch margins.
- Start with the cover sheet, then add the abstract, narrative, vita, summary of qualifications of personnel, and budget, using a page break between each section. If the budget is an excel file, you may send it as a second attachment named as follows: lastname-firstname-budget.xls.
- If approval authority is required, please fax the Approving Authority form (with signature) to 202-403-3545.
- All submissions will be acknowledged by return email.

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