

# **FWATA GRANT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

All grant applications must follow the same format. A research grant application must clearly and succinctly describe the overall project. The Research and Grants Committee must be able to evaluate a proposal based solely on the materials presented in the proposal. Applicants are encouraged to be as precise and detailed as possible. The body of the description must be limited to no more than eight (8) double-spaced typewritten pages (including the pages for budget and references). No document exceeding eight (8) pages will be considered. Submit the original proposal via e-mail to the FWATA Research and Grants Committee Chair.

Upon receipt of the grant application, the submitting author will be notified of its receipt, then a mechanical review will be conducted by the Committee Chair to ensure that the application includes all requested materials and is presented in the requested format. If deficiencies in the proposal are noted, the principle investigator will be notified and allowed the opportunity to resubmit the application provided the requested materials are received by the deadline for re-submission (determined by Committee Chair). Below is the grant application format:

## **SECTION 1: Research Grant Application Cover Sheet**

This form should be completed and used as the cover sheet for the proposal.

## **SECTION 2: Problem**

Briefly introduce and describe what you are planning to do. If appropriate state the problem in specific measurable terms and state your hypothesis in operational terms.

## **SECTION 3: Significance of the Proposed Research**

Explain why your project is important; describe the theoretical basis or rationale for the project. Describe how the study will contribute to, and expand the existing body of knowledge in Athletic Training and Sports medicine.

## **SECTION 4: Procedures**

Describe your research methodology and design as precisely as possible. Describe if you used a qualitative or quantitative analysis. Describe and identify the independent and dependent variables in precise terms. Describe subjects, sampling procedure, sample size, instrumentation, reliability, validity, and descriptive and inferential statistical analysis.

## **SECTION 5: Budget**

Place the budget on a separate page. Justify how funding would strengthen and support your proposal (for example, student assistance, supplies needed for the project, release time from other job responsibilities, etc.). Include implications of partial funding.

## **SECTION 6: References**

On a separate page, list the references that you have referred to in your proposal. Limit references to 5-10 major sources.

## **SECTION 7: Format**

All proposals should be written in AMA style format; citations per index medicus. For examples, refer to the authors guide in the Journal of Athletic Training or the Manual of Style (Williams & Wilkins).

**APPLICATIONS DEADLINE: February 5 of each year.**