

The Irish Association of Social Care Educators (IASCE) is pleased to announce that it will be offering four research bursaries each to the value of €2,500 for students engaged in post graduate research in areas that are relevant to the teaching and practice of social care work. The bursary is designed to support social care graduates doing research that will contribute to knowledge and practice in any area of social care work.

Applicants for the bursary should be:

- Graduates of professional social care work honours degree programmes from IASCEaffiliated colleges in the Republic of Ireland who graduated with a minimum of second class honours.
- Currently registered on a postgraduate programme (either taught or by research), in an IASCE affiliated college, researching a topic that will contribute to knowledge base of social care teaching or practice.
- Able to provide evidence of the relevance of the research to social care education or practice and of having obtained ethical approval for the project.

Evidence that each of these qualifying criteria are met should be submitted along with the completed application form.

Applications will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Relevance of the proposed research to social care practice / education
- Quality of the proposal
- Feasibility of proposal
- Potential of the research to contribute to future social care practice or education
- Quality of dissemination plan

The decision of the awarding panel in final.

Successful applicants will be required to provide evidence that they have submitted at least one article about the findings of the research for publication and have made at least one conference presentation before receiving the second installment of the bursary.

Completed Applications need to be emailed to Karen.sugrue@lit.ie, IASCE, by 5.00pm, 26th January, 2018. For more information about the research bursary, please contact Karen.sugrue@lit.ie

Bursary Application Form



Research detail	
Describe the rationale for research	
question located in relevant literature (800	
words):	

Give an overview of your proposed data collection procedures (300 words – include recruitment, participants, and data collection method as well as how data will be analysed):	

What is the potential contribution of the research to social care practice and education (200 words)?	
How and where do you hope to disseminate your research findings? Please specify journals and conferences.	
Please attach a detailed workplan (including proposed dates) for your project	



The Irish Association of Social Care Educators (IASCE) will award four bursaries of €2,500, for students engaged in post graduate research in areas that are relevant to the teaching and practice of social care work. The bursary will be paid in two instalments. The successful applicants will receive the first instalment of €1250 following verification of evidence that the applicant is:

- A graduate of a professional social care degree with an award of at least second class honours.
- Enrolled on either a taught or research based programme at level 9 or 10.
- Planning a research project that is relevant to social care practice or education.
- In receipt of ethical approval for the research project.

To receive the second instalment of €1250 the student must submit a request in writing to the Treasurer of IASCE at the end of their research. This request must include the following:

- A copy of the original agreement granting the bursary.
- Evidence of full ethical approval for data collection from the host institution.
- For research students: a letter from the project supervisor confirming that the research is ready for successful submission.
- For taught postgrad students: a letter from the project supervisor indicating that the student will pass the research module.
- Evidence of having submitted an article to a relevant academic journal.
- Evidence that the research has been presented at an SCI annual conference.

Evidence that each of these qualifying criteria have been met should be submitted along with the request for the final instalment.