



Travel Assistance for Emerging Researchers' Attendance at the ISAAC 2020 Biennial Conference

Once again, we are pleased to advise that ISAAC has funding available to provide emerging researchers with financial support to attend the [19th Biennial Conference of ISAAC](#) in Cancún, México, August 1st – 6th, 2020.

ISAAC recognizes the need to promote research in augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) throughout the world and to provide incentives to those involved in innovative AAC research. Providing financial support that allows emerging researchers to attend ISAAC Conferences is an important aspect of ISAAC's ongoing work in the field of AAC. An emerging scholar is someone who is in the process of completing a PhD (middle to end stage) or who has completed a PhD no more than 3 years before the competition deadline (January 6, 2020). Please note that exception will be given for career disruption (e.g., primary carer responsibilities) as both a practical and symbolic assertion of ISAAC's commitment to helping to resolve the systemic gender inequality issue that exists in research (and society more broadly). The successful candidates will be expected to attend and present their research at the main conference.

While ISAAC will not be able to provide 100% funding for every qualified applicant, we will evaluate all submissions and provide what would be meaningful financial assistance to as many suitable applicants as we can. Please note applications can only be accepted from ISAAC members in good standing who meet a range of criteria for this competitive award. The applications are judged on their merits by the Research Committee of ISAAC. **Only applicants who have already submitted Conference 2020 abstracts are eligible to apply.** Please be sure to submit a copy of your abstract with this application.

Please complete and submit the attached application and supporting documents by email to emergingresearcher@isaac-online.org by 5:00 p.m. on **January 6th, 2020** EST (Eastern Standard Time).

We look to receiving your application, and to meet and network with a promising group of emerging researchers in AAC at ISAAC Conference 2020.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Beata Batorowicz'.

Beata Batorowicz, PhD
Chair, ISAAC Research Committee



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Application Form

**Only current ISAAC members are eligible to apply. Closing date is January 6th, 2020.
Successful applicants will be advised of the outcome by February 17th, 2020.**

Questions concerning this scheme should be directed to the ISAAC Research Committee Review Team
at
emergingresearcher@isaac-online.org

Check carefully to ensure the information submitted is accurate and complete.

Section 1: Personal Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip / Postal Code:

Country:

Phone number:

Email Address:

Are you a current member of ISAAC? **Yes** **No**

If relevant, which Chapter of ISAAC?

What is your first or primary language?

Section 2: A 2-Page Curriculum Vitae MUST be attached.

A 2-page curriculum vitae must be attached (do not provide more than 2 pages). Include all details regarding academic qualifications, current employment, research institution, supervision if relevant, publications including previous conference presentations, journal articles, website reports, and any other creative works related to AAC.

Have you attached a 2-page curriculum vitae with the requested information? **Yes** **No**



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Section 3: Previous activity within ISAAC

Have you been involved in a local chapter of ISAAC or ISAAC International, including either administration or governance, or participation in ISAAC events, attendance at chapter meetings or teleconference, conferences, AAC awareness events, or providing assistance in ISAAC activities at a local level, volunteering to assist at events, participating on executive teams, providing presentations, developing resources, etc.). **Yes** **No**

If YES, please describe briefly how you have been involved:



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SECTION 4: THE ISAAC CONFERENCE IN 2020

Have you submitted an abstract to the Main ISAAC Conference? **Yes** **No**

The submitted abstract must be attached. Is it attached? **Yes** **No**

What are your estimated total costs for attending the ISAAC International Conference (\$CAD)?

Have you already secured other funding to attend the conference? **Yes** **No**

If Yes, how much (\$CAD):

SECTION 5: YOUR RESEARCH GOALS

5(a) Are you presently working toward obtaining a research higher degree? **Yes** **No**

Name of Degree:

Research Institution:

Research supervisor/Mentor:

Year of commencement:

Stage of candidature:

5(b) In one paragraph, briefly outline your personal research goals (100 - 150 words max).



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5(c) Please write a personal statement of your research work and involvement in the AAC field (100 - 150 words max).

5(d) How do you expect your opportunity to present your research at ISAAC to benefit the field, yourself, and others (100 – 150 words max)?



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6. SUPPORTING STATEMENT FROM RESEARCH SUPERVISOR/MENTOR/ADVISOR

Please provide us with a short recommendation by a person who knows your research, your work, and who can testify for your research potential in the field of AAC. (Maximum 250 words).

Type the recommendation here on this form, or else attach a separate signed letter.

I _____ (name) support _____ (name) in his/her application for this Travel Award.

Signature of supervisor/mentor/nominator: _____ Date: _____

Email contact: _____

7. STATEMENT of candidate:

I _____ (name) declare that the information provided in this application is true at the time of writing. I understand that by submitting this application, if successful I am committed to registering and attending the Main Conference of the ISAAC 2020 Biennial Conference in Cancun, Mexico, between August 1st and August 6th, 2020.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

8. Checklist for Submission:

- Completed and signed application form (signature of mentor/supervisor and signature of applicant)
- 2-page CV with required details
- Letter of support from mentor/advisor/supervisor or else statement typed onto this form with signature.
- Copy of Abstract submitted to the main conference (must have been submitted by October 15th 2019).

Email this form to emergingresearcher@isaac-online.org by 5pm on January 6th, 2020 EST (Eastern Standard Time).