



September 30, 2013

RE: Travel Award for Emerging Researchers' Attendance at the ISAAC 2014 Biennial Conference

Once again, we are pleased to advise that ISAAC has funding available for providing emerging researchers with financial support to attend the [16th Biennial Conference of ISAAC](#), to be held in Lisbon, Portugal, July 19 - 24, 2014.

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 early career researchers to attend ISAAC Conferences is an important aspect of ISAAC's ongoing work in the field of AAC. The successful candidates will be expected to attend and present their research at the main conference, and to attend the Research Symposium (following 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.

Please complete and submit the attached application and supporting documents by email to bronwyn.hemsley@newcastle.edu.au by 5:00 p.m. on **1st November, 2013** AEST (Australian Eastern Standard Time). Applicants must also submit a separate conference paper proposal on the research that forms the basis of their application for the travel award, through the Main Conference paper submission portal (<https://www.isaac-online.org/english/conference-2014/call-for-papers/>) by **15th October, 2013**. Successful applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application by **1st December, 2013**.

We look to receiving your application, and to meet and network with a promising group of emerging researchers in AAC at ISAAC 2014. Please note that our biennial Research Symposium will be held on July 25-26, immediately following the conference.

Best regards,

Bronwyn Hemsley
Chair, ISAAC Research Committee
President-Elect, ISAAC

Gregor Renner
Co-Chair, ISAAC Research Committee

Jeff Riley
ISAAC President, 2012-2014



Application Form
Financial Support of Emerging Researchers' Attendance
at the Biennial Conference of ISAAC 2014

Only current 2013 ISAAC members are eligible to apply. Closing date is 1st November 2013
Successful applicants will be advised of the outcome by 1st December 2013

Questions concerning this scheme should be directed to Bronwyn Hemsley, Chair of the ISAAC Research Committee: bronwyn.hemsley@newcastle.edu.au

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 member of ISAAC in 2013? **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**

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.).

If YES, please describe briefly how you have been involved: **Yes** **No**



SECTION 4: THE ISAAC CONFERENCE IN 2014

Have you submitted an abstract to the Main ISAAC Conference?	Yes	No
The submitted abstract must be attached. Is it attached?	Yes	No
Are you planning to attend the ISAAC Research Symposium?	Yes	No
What are your estimated total costs for attending the ISAAC International Conference (\$CDN)?		
Have you already secured other funding to attend the conference?	Yes	No
If Yes, how much (\$CDN):		

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 (200 words max).

5(c) Please write a personal statement of your research work and involvement in the AAC field (200 words max).

5(d) How do you expect your attendance at ISAAC, to present research in the field of AAC, will benefit the field, yourself, and others (200 words max)?



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 both the Main Conference and the Research Symposium of the ISAAC Biennial Conference in Lisbon, 2014.

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 15th October 2013).

Email this form to Bronwyn.hemsley@newcastle.edu.au by 5pm on 1st November 2013 AEST (Australian Eastern Standard Time).