



“More Impact Together” Travel Assistance Grant — Sponsored by AssistiveWare® Application Form for Financial Support — “New Professional” to attend the Biennial Conference of ISAAC 2020

ISAAC and AssistiveWare® are pleased to announce that funding is once again available for the ISAAC travel assistance grant program sponsored by AssistiveWare®, to support attendance and participation at the ISAAC Biennial Conference 2020, being held at the Cancún International Convention Centre (ICC) in Cancún, México between August 1st, 2020 and August 6th, 2020 (inclusive).

The purpose of this year’s grant is to encourage participation at ISAAC Conference 2020 by residents of México and other Spanish-speaking countries who are: adults who use AAC, parents of children who use AAC, and new professionals working in the field of AAC. For the purposes of the grant, “New professionals working in the field of AAC” are defined as recent graduates, i.e., five years or less since graduation, from a recognized academic program related to the field of AAC, e.g., Speech-Language Pathology, Special Education, or Occupational Therapy (or equivalent in applicant’s country).

A maximum of three (3) grants will be awarded, each in the amount of CAD \$1,000.00, to offset the costs of attending the conference, according to the following:

- One (1) in support of an Adult (18 years of age or older) person who uses AAC (PWU AAC), particularly one living in the host country of México or other Spanish speaking country;
- One (1) in support of a Parent of a child (under 18 years of age) PWU AAC in Spanish or bilingual Spanish, particularly one living in the host country of México or other Spanish-speaking country; and,
- One (1) in support of a new professional working in the field of AAC from the host country of México or other Spanish-speaking country.

The closing date for applications is 22:00 GMT on January 6th, 2020. All applicants will be advised of the selection committee’s decision by February 17th, 2020.

Finally, the award recipient will be required to submit to ISAAC, no later than August 31st, 2020, a summary of their experience (the “Experience Summary”) at Conference 2020. Limited to approximately two (2) pages in length, the summary should, at a minimum, include descriptions of:

- Sessions attended
- Key learning objectives achieved
- National and international contacts developed
- Exposure to research, methodologies and technologies in AAC (“New Professional” grant only)



A form to support submission of this report will be provided to successful grant recipients in advance of attending ISAAC Conference 2020.

The attached application form can only be used for the AssistiveWare® “New Professional” travel assistance grant. Anyone wishing to apply for either of the two (2) PWUAAC AssistiveWare® travel assistance grants must use that separate application form. Completed applications for anything other than the AssistiveWare® “New Professional” travel assistance grant using the attached form will not be accepted.

ISAAC Awards and Scholarships are presented every two years in conjunction with the Biennial Conference. Only current ISAAC members are eligible to apply.

Questions concerning this application form should be directed to Franklin Smith, ISAAC Executive Director, franklin@isaac-online.org



Please check carefully to ensure the information submitted is accurate and complete.

Section 1: Personal Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Address:

City, Province / State:

Zip/Postal Code:

Country:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Are you a member of ISAAC? Yes No

If relevant, which Chapter of ISAAC?

What is your first language?

Section 2: Curriculum Vitae (New Professional grant ONLY)

A PDF version of your curriculum vitae (CV) must be included with the completed application. Please make sure the CV is no longer than two pages. Include all details regarding academic qualifications and current employment related to AAC. Please note that in order to qualify for this grant, 20% of your time must be related to AAC. Please make sure that a Letter of Attestation (see p. 5) is completed by your immediate supervisor.



SECTION 3: CAREER GOALS

3(a) Please specify your professional designation and area of focus:

3(b) In one paragraph, briefly outline how your work supports the field of AAC (maximum 200 words):

3(c) How do you expect your attendance at ISAAC Conference 2020 will benefit your employer, yourself, and others (maximum 200 words)?



4. STATEMENT OF ATTESTATION

Please provide us with a statement of attestation by a supervisor or other person who knows your work, and who can verify your professional involvement in the field of AAC:

I, **Name of Supervisor** hereby certify that **Name of Applicant** is working at **Name of Organization** and is spending a minimum of 20% of his/her time devoted to the field of AAC as required in application for this Travel Award.

Signature of supervisor:

Date:

Email contact:

5. STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE:

I, **Name of Applicant** 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 completing my registration and attending the ISAAC Biennial Conference in Cancún, México, between August 1st -6th, 2020.

Signature of applicant:

Date:



7. Checklist for Submission:

Completed and signed application form (including all required signatures)

2-page CV with required details

Agreement to provide completed Experience Summary no later than August 31st, 2020

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