

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

E. Paul Torrance Graduate Student Research Award

The American Creativity Association Torrance Graduate Student Research Award honors E. Paul Torrance's lifetime commitment to supporting graduate student studies. This award is to recognize a graduate student whose study (at the masters or doctoral level) shows promise that he or she will become a leader in the field of Applied Creativity. The recipient receives an **Honorary Lifetime Membership in ACA**. This membership includes selected ACA electronic publications and registration at annual ACA conferences (travel, lodging, meals and other expenses are the responsibility of the awardee and are calculated at the member rate). The award recipient will be required to present his or her graduate research thesis or dissertation at the upcoming ACA Annual Conference in Austin, TX, March 22, 2007.

Nomination Process

Nominees are required to **submit an original and three copies of a maximum five-page double spaced (12 point font) paper written by the nominee describing their research and how it will make a mark on applied creativity**. The graduate degree of the nominee should include a focus on the research into and/or the development of creativity. **Submissions must include a resume, and a statement of evaluation by the nominee's doctoral or masters committee dissertation chair/ thesis advisor**. The complete nomination material package should be **received no later than February 15, 2007** by:

Dr. Fredricka Reisman
Professor, Goodwin College
Coordinator, ACA Torrance Graduate Student Research Award
Drexel University
3101 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Deadline to be received: February 15, 2007

Selection Criteria

1. The study research question makes an original, unique, and important contribution to the field of creativity.
2. Relevant application of creativity or new approach to the development of creativity is included.
3. Importance of disseminating the study findings is apparent.
4. Research design is scholarly, well thought out, and may involve quantitative, qualitative or combined methodologies.
5. Must include a recommendation by the student's Dissertation Chair or Master's Degree Advisor.

6. Include only what is requested above under *Nomination Process*. Additional material will be discarded and not sent to the panel.

Selection Process

A three-person panel comprised of leaders in the field of applied creativity will review the applications and make their recommendation based upon the Selection Criteria to the ACA Torrance Award Coordinator, who in turn will request affirmation by the ACA Board at the March 1, 2007 conference call meeting. The Panel and ACA may elect not to present this award in a given year if, in their opinion, selection criteria have not been met. On the other hand, multiple awards have been given in the past when warranted. The recipient may be invited to submit to the ACA Publication Coordinator for inclusion in the next electronic ACA journal. **Submitted materials will not be returned to applicants and will be shredded once the notification of submission status is completed.**

Notification

Upon affirmation of the ACA Board on March 1, the awardee will be notified on March 2, 2007. All other nominees will be notified by March 5, 2007.