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**Education Innovation Award**

The Education Innovation Award is intended to support a project designed to advance learning in nursing education. It can take a variety of forms such as technology, creative reconfiguration of a curriculum or a course within a curriculum, online learning, or innovative clinical experience.

**Innovation Award Amount:**

One award will be funded up to \$5000. It is expected that the project will be completed within one year of receiving the award.

**Criteria:**

1. Applicants must be nursing faculty members who hold Full Active membership in WNRCASN.
2. The proposed project must relate to an innovation in nursing education. Assessment criteria will include:
  - degree of innovation (newness, difference, value add, etc.) associated with the project
  - impact on student teaching and learning
  - potential for the project to be used as a model for other educators
  - sustainability of the innovation
3. Graduate students are not eligible to apply for this award to fund their graduate theses, dissertations, or projects related to their graduate work. Graduate students who are faculty members may apply for this award if the project is distinctly different and separate from their graduate work.
4. If ethical approval of the project is required (such as for data collection to support publication of an article on the project), the ethical review must be obtained and a certificate submitted prior to release of the funds.
5. Budget: Personnel and materials expenses only (conference expenses will not be covered). Please specify if funding is expected or has been obtained from other sources. Approximately 10% of the budget allowance may be moved from one line to another, as long as an explanation is provided to justify same.
6. Research funds must be deposited into a research account with the successful candidate's educational institution. If the study cannot be completed as intended, all award monies must be reimbursed to WNRCASN. At the completion of the Award term, all remaining monies must be returned to WNRCASN. An extension may be requested by emailing [President@WNRCASN.ca](mailto:President@WNRCASN.ca)
7. As an award recipient, the successful candidate(s) will be asked to provide a recent photo and a one page project overview (300 words) to be posted on the WNRCASN website.
8. WNRCASN must be credited with funding support in all public dissemination of the project.
9. Decisions for awards will be based on the quality of the application.