Judith Samson PhD DSPP Student Scholarship Award

Dr. Judith Samson’s legacy of distinguished service in psychology has been long recognized by colleagues, graduate students, and mental health advocates in the community. Since 1977, when Dr. Samson began her career in Dallas as a faculty member at UTSW’s Psychology Division and psychologist at Dallas Child and Family Guidance Center, and later having a flourishing independent practice, she devoted herself to clinical work with children, adolescents, and adults and supervising the psychotherapy casework of UT Southwestern clinical psychology graduate students. A believer in professional organizations’ shaping and supportive role in students’ career development, she strongly encouraged trainees and early professionals to become active members in organizations such as DSPP and Dallas Psychological Association. Dr. Samson has always regarded personal psychoanalysis or psychotherapy as an essential part of a psychologist’s professional development and unhesitatingly recommended that undertaking with graduate students and early career professionals. For her achievements in the field of psychology, Dr. Samson received Dallas Psychological Association’s “Distinguished Psychologist” Award in 2012.

As a founding member of DSPP and President of the organization (1989-1990), Dr. Samson has contributed immeasurably to the organization she so loves with her wise leadership, her service on the Executive Council, and her scholarly presentations at our monthly programs and workshops. Known for her patronage of the Arts, she was instrumental in forming the DSPP’s Arts Committee, including student members, and serving as its Chairman until 2003. Under her direction, the Arts Committee hosted a variety of programs, including film events, musical performances by local and out-of-town performers, art gallery exhibitions and artist talks, and evening events with authors. Those fortunate enough to serve with her as Arts Committee members were generously rewarded at planning meetings with extraordinary five-star meals, compliments of her second-to-none culinary skills. Now, in recognition of Dr. Samson’s excellence in the field of psychology and her prudent leadership in our organization since its formation in 1982, and for her commitment to the professional development of students and young professionals, members of DSPP are pleased to establish the Student Scholarship Award in her honor.

Scholarship Information

The Dallas Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology will award a limited number of grants up to $1,500 (student) or $500 (early career) to attend a conference to which the individual has had accepted a psychoanalytically-oriented submission (poster, paper, presentation). This financial support is intended to help offset travel, lodging, transportation, meals, and incidental expenses. Selection for the grant will be based on past, current, and future intended DSPP involvement; financial need; and quality of contribution to the conference. We strongly encourage but do not require scholarship applicants to make use of the DSPP Scholars Program. Recipients will be selected by a small group of DSPP executive council members through a blind review process.
The submission deadline is: no less than **two months before the conference**. We will do our best to notify you of our decision within two weeks.

If you have any questions about the application or scholarship, please contact **Stephanie Swales, PhD**, at [stephanieswales@gmail.com](mailto:stephanieswales@gmail.com).

**Section 1- Applicant Information**

Prefix (i.e. Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Mx. / Dr. ) ________

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________

E-mail address: _____________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________________

**Section 2- Involvement**

Are you a member of DSPP? Yes  No

If yes, what year did you join? __________

Describe any previous involvement in DSPP (i.e. meeting attendance, workshop attendance, leadership roles)._______________________________________________

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Please describe your intended future involvement and contributions to DSPP.

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Please describe any ideas you have about supporting student/early career involvement in DSPP._______________________________________________________________

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**Section 3- Financial Need**

Anticipated financial needs related to conference attendance:
Flight: $___________ 
Lodging: $___________ 
Transportation: $___________ 
Meals: $___________ 
Incidentals (i.e. cost of poster printing, other materials, etc.): $___________

Have you applied for the Div. 39 Scholars Program this year: Yes  No

Are there any other scholarships or sources of funding?  Yes  No

If so, please describe: ________________________________________________________________
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When will you know whether you have been awarded it/them? ________________

Please describe in detail your current financial needs: ____________________________
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Section 4- Education

Students only:

Undergraduate Institution(s): __________________________
    Degree(s): ___________________________________
    Year(s) of Graduation: __________________________

Graduate Institution(s): _______________________________
    Degree(s): ___________________________________
    Year(s) of Graduation or Anticipated Graduation Date: ______________

Early Career only:

Undergraduate Institution(s): __________________________
    Degree(s): ___________________________________
    Year(s) of Graduation: __________________________

Graduate Institution(s): _______________________________
    Degree(s): ___________________________________
    Year(s) of Graduation: __________________________
Are you currently licensed?  Yes  No  
What licensure: ___________________  
If not, when do you anticipate being licensed? ____________________  

Section 5 - Research  
I have been accepted to present the following:  Poster  Presentation  
Title: ____________________________________________  
Co-Authors: ________________________________________  
Conference: ________________________________________  
Brief Description: ____________________________________  

Please describe why you are interested in the DSPP Scholarship Award and how it may be relevant to your future professional plans/goals. Please include whether you are currently or have previously been involved in any relevant professional activities (i.e. study groups, reading groups, consultation groups, trainings, postgraduate programs, etc.).  
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List and describe any specific theoretical, clinical, or research interests you have:  
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Attestation and Signature  
I, __________________________ , attest that all information contained in this application is correct. I understand that I will forfeit the DSPP Scholarship Award if I am awarded the Div. 39 Scholars Program and agree to notify the DSPP Scholarship Contact / Selection Committee of this in a timely fashion. I also agree to notify the DSPP Scholarship Contact / Selection Committee if the amount or degree of other award(s) or sources of funding changes from what I listed above. If a DSPP Scholarship Award is granted, I agree to provide documentation of expenses upon request and provide feedback to the DSPP Scholarship Contact / Selection Committee about my presentation and conference experiences.  
Signature: ________________________________  Date: ______________________