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NASBA Announces Call for Proposals for Annual Accounting Education Research Grants Program

Grants Totaling up to \$25,000 Available to Faculty and Post Doctoral Researchers

NASHVILLE, TENN. (February 9, 2015) – The National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) announces the 2015 Call for Proposals for its Accounting Education Research Grants Program.

First established in 2011, the program is spearheaded by NASBA's Education Committee and aims to advance research on educational issues impacting Certified Public Accountants (CPA), the public accounting profession and Boards of Accountancy's charge to protect the public.

NASBA will fund and award a maximum of three grants totaling up to \$25,000 for one-year research projects. Faculty and postdoctoral researchers at U.S. academic institutions are encouraged to submit proposals for consideration.

Preferred research areas include, but are not limited to:

- Increase in accrediting bodies and their impact on accounting education,
- Impact of online and MOOC courses on accounting education,
- Variables in accounting programs that impact CPA exam performance,
- Impact of work/internship experience on the success of CPA exam candidates, and
- Effectiveness of non-traditional teaching and delivery methods.

Additional research interests to consider are:

- Characteristics of successful CPA Exam candidates,
- Lack of appeal/barriers to entry into the accounting profession for underrepresented groups, and
- International education equivalency.

Researchers from Santa Clara University, Kansas State University, Florida State University and Western Illinois University were the recipients named in 2014.

Grant proposals must be submitted electronically. The deadline for submission is 11:59 p.m. Central Time, on April 13, 2015. Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals in advance of the deadline. Grant recipients will be announced in May 2015.

For additional information regarding the NASBA Accounting Education Research Grants Program (including a full program description, eligibility requirements, application deadlines and details on proposal submission), visit the <u>Research Grants section</u> of *nasba.org*. Questions regarding the submission process should be sent to *grantproposal@nasba.org*.

About NASBA

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NASBA's mission is to enhance the effectiveness and advance the common interests of the Boards of Accountancy in meeting their regulatory responsibilities. The Association promotes the exchange of information among accountancy boards, serving the needs of the 55 U.S. jurisdictions.

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