



UNIVERSITY of
DENVER

MORGRIDGE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

*TLS Giving Fund:
Graduate Student Professional Development Honorarium*

Call for Applications:

The quality of services delivered in school continues to be one of the most important factors contributing to student (ages 0 to 21) success. Professional development for school personnel ensures that the quality of services remains both high and current. Important areas of professional development include: best practices, mental health, leadership development, innovative strategies, and data-based decision making.

The *TLS Graduate Student Professional Development Honorarium* hopes to inspire graduate students to be lifelong learners who regularly engage in opportunities that promote professional growth. We are pleased to offer honoraria, on a competitive basis, for an amount of **\$250** to nurture a disposition toward continuous improvement that will carry TLS students forward into their post-graduate career. The honorarium can be applied retroactively (1 year) or in support of future professional development.

Funds can be applied to conference registrations, workshop registrations, resource materials (books, curriculum, test materials), curriculum development, travel costs, printing costs (e.g., poster, handouts), research support (e.g. workshops, travel for data collection, data analysis tools), and other sundry materials (e.g., mini whiteboards, sticky notes, pens, other project supplies) needed for the formal acquisition or delivery of new knowledge or skills.

Application Requirements:

- 1) Must be a student in good standing in the TLS department progressing toward program completion.
- 2) Letter of application (1-2 pages, double-spaced, Times New Roman 12, 1-inch margins) that includes the following:
 - a) A description of the proposed use of professional development funds;
 - b) A statement of how this activity will advance your professional development or the professional development of others;
 - c) Your professional goals; and
 - d) Proposed budget, including any other fiscal support you may be receiving
- 3) Include as an attachment:
 - a) Any substantiating documentation (e.g., conference program, curriculum materials, proposal acceptance, receipts, etc.); and
 - b) Curriculum Vitae or Resume

Process:

- 1) Applications are due November 15 and April 15.
- 2) Submit all materials electronically as one (1) PDF file titled “***TLS Graduate Student PD Honorarium***” to either devadrita.talapatra@du.edu (CFSP/ECSE) or paul.michalec@du.edu (C&I/TEP).
- 3) The TLS Giving Committee will independently review and rate submissions based on scholarly merit and the potential of the honorarium to foster the applicant’s professional development. Priority will be given to submissions addressing topics related to Inclusive Excellence; however, professional development activities related to other topics are eligible. Award winners will be publicly acknowledged in the *Dean’s Newsletter*.

We Look Forward to Your Applications!