

**THE MELISSA INSTITUTE
FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT**

Dissertation Research Award

The Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention and Treatment is a non-profit educational, training and consultative organization that was established to honor the memory of Melissa Aptman, a Miami native who was murdered in May 1995. The Melissa Institute provides scholarship awards to support violence prevention research.

The Melissa Institute is offering two awards at \$1,500 each. The awards are available to graduate students from any discipline who address issues of violence prevention and/or treatment. The award must be used to support expenses that are directly related to the dissertation research (e.g., subject fees, computer time, equipment). It may not be used for tuition, personal travel or personal expenses.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be students in a bona fide doctoral dissertation program. **Candidates may be from any academic discipline.**
2. Applicants must have their dissertation proposal approved by their dissertation committee prior to their application to The Melissa Institute.

To apply:

Applicants must include the following information in their submission:

1. A two-page cover letter describing **in detail** the proposed research project and a brief explanation of proposed use of funds (e.g., a budget).
2. A curriculum vitae, including any scientific publications and presentations and a brief description of your career plan.
3. A letter of recommendation from your dissertation advisor.
4. Please submit **two copies** of your proposal and accompanying documentation.

Application deadline is April 1. Annual selection is in May.

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