



A Graduate School of Education, Health & Psychology

## 2025-2026 Doctoral Dissertation Grant (DDG) Application Spring 2026 Semester

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ TCID: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctoral Dissertation Grant (DDG) awards are awarded based on merit to currently enrolled doctoral students who have defended or will be defending their dissertation during the **Spring 2026 semester**. Eligible recipients in an Ed.D. program will receive \$6,250, and Ph.D. students will receive \$7,750 to help offset the tuition differential charged during the semester in which they defend their dissertation.

To be considered for the DDG award, you **must** (1) be a doctoral student in good academic standing at Teachers College, (2) enrolled for the semester, and (3) completed the following:

- All certification requirements, and received notification of certification from the Office of Doctoral Studies
- Have an approved Dissertation Proposal and IRB on file with the Office of Doctoral Studies

**\*Note: Failure to meet the aforementioned conditions will result in cancellation of your application.**

You must also confirm the items below:

- \_\_\_\_\_ I have defended or am on track to defend my dissertation during the Spring 2026 semester.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have completed a written statement (double-spaced, not to exceed three pages) describing:
- (1) Focus of my dissertation inquiry, including: statement of rationale, research questions, and methods for collection and analyses of data;
  - (2) Status of my dissertation project to date; **and**
  - (3) Timeline for completion of dissertation, including the oral defense
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have obtained a letter of recommendation (one-page) from my faculty sponsor (on letterhead) addressing:
- (1) Importance of the question addressed in my dissertation
  - (2) Affirmation that my proposed dissertation timeline is feasible and realistic
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have attached a current Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Academic Dept: \_\_\_\_\_ Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Ed.D. | \_\_\_\_\_ Ph.D.

**SUBMIT FORM AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS NO LATER THAN MAR. 6, 2026  
DECISIONS WILL BE RELEASED ON OR AFTER APR. 3, 2026**

I acknowledge that by submitting this form and signing below, I am purely expressing an interest in being considered for the DDG and understand that submission of this application does not guarantee an award. I am aware of the responsibilities and benefits associated with this award.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_