

## **2020 ACJS Historical Mini-Grant Award**

**Purpose:** The purpose of this award is to provide quality documentation of the history of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) and related significant milestones in the development of the field of criminal justice.

**Rationale:** This award will facilitate the systematic documentation of ACJS and criminal justice history. It offers a broad opportunity for ACJS members to enhance their research productivity.

**Structure:** Proposals are requested for a research project/s of up to \$5,000 over a 12-18 month period to capture a significant aspect of this history. The funds are intended to cover the cost of the research enterprise such as instruments, copies, recordings, transcriptions and travel. Where an award is less than \$5,000, multiple awards, not exceeding the \$5,000 amount for this purpose are possible. Areas of interest for a particular year may be identified by the ACJS Board.

**2020 Area of Interest for Mini-Grant:** Applicants should focus on quality documentation of the history of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences and related significant milestones in the development of the field of criminal justice. The specific area of interest is open.

**Application:** The application should not exceed three pages, typed, double-spaced, in size 12 font. It must include: a title, the applicant's name and affiliation, the objective of the proposed work, relevant research questions, its significance, the procedures, a timeline, the deliverables, the budget and a dissemination plan.

Persons with limited grant/research experience are advised to identify a senior research mentor and indicate the nature of oversight or support that the senior party will provide toward the applicant's success with the project. An appendix must include the applicant's curriculum vita, and it might include a letter of support from a mentor, instruments and any related documentation, institutional review approval/progress as relevant, and the like.

Application should be submitted by December 16 to Ashley Blackburn at [blackburna@uhd.edu](mailto:blackburna@uhd.edu).

**Deadlines:** Applications are due by December 16, 2019; the Historical Mini-Award Committee will make recommendations by February 3, 2020, for ACJS Board approval. Awards will be available in March, 2020.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be current ACJS members who hold a graduate degree.

**Deliverables:** Deliverables must include a summary for *ACJS Today*, although more than one summary or article can be submitted for review. Deliverables must be rendered to the Ashley Blackburn, Executive Board Liaison who has the responsibility of making the work/s accessible. A progress report will be due to Dr. Blackburn at the mid-point of the proposed work. If the author uses the work to publish an article or other manuscript in an outlet other than *ACJS Today*, the author is required to include a notation that the work was funded (whole or in part) by ACJS. Dr. Blackburn should be kept apprised of these additional publications so that a reference or link to the publication can be added to the ACJS website. If authors are submitting their work based on the Historical Mini-Grant Award to another publisher, they should check the publisher's rules carefully for statements regarding whether the work has been published elsewhere; in this case, *ACJS Today*. The authors are cautioned to follow appropriate disclosure practices.

**Administration:** Ashley Blackburn, Executive Board Liaison will oversee this award. The review of applicants and recommendation of the award(s) will be completed by a Committee of three, chaired by a Trustee-at-Large and two ACJS members as appointed by the ACJS President.