The Asher Fund is designed to support psychological research and scholarly efforts. Included are activities that support faculty and students’ work such as, but not limited to, student and faculty salaries and wages to do research, to collect data, and to write reports; replacement teaching for load reduction for faculty pursuing scholarly activities; travel to conventions to report research results; assistance in longer sabbaticals; purchase of equipment; support for student, secretarial, and clerical help; support for a visiting scholar; and travel to collect data, etc. Recognizing that psychological research can be done in such areas as education, communication, physical education, sociology, and biology, etc., research in these areas is eligible for support as well. Under unusual circumstances, funding could be available to reimburse out-of-pocket expenses for projects already completed or in progress. However, explanation of the unusual circumstances and receipts for costs incurred must be presented.

To request monies from this fund, please complete the following form and turn in five copies to the psychology department chair. To receive fullest consideration, deadlines for submission are September 14 and November 16 for the fall semester, and February 15 and May 2 for the spring semester. Fund recipients will be expected to submit a brief written report to the committee upon the completion of the project.

1. Name, status (e.g., faculty, student), campus address, email address, and phone number. Students, please include the name of the faculty sponsor.

2. Please describe the project (including the name if it's a research project), its purpose, and its relevance to psychology. Include an abstract at the beginning of the project description.

3. Describe the process for carrying out and completing this project.

4. What is the amount of money being requested? Include other funding options for the project (FDC funds must be used first before applying to Asher. Make sure to explain faculty status in relation to yearly PDF funds). Please include an itemized budget.

5. Indicate the approximate timeline of the project. When will the requested funds be needed and by what date will they be spent? (If this is a reimbursement request for monies already spent, please explain why you did not apply to the fund before the project began. In addition, please include receipts for expenses.)

6. Describe the benefits to the DePauw community of this project (e.g., long-term or multi-use benefits of equipment, educational impact on campus, etc.).

7. If applicable, explain how you will ensure that APA guidelines for the ethical treatment of subjects will be met.