**Call for Applications:**

**Sandi Smith Research Fellowship**

**Fall 2021**

To honor the exceptional scholarship and mentorship of former Director Sandi Smith, the Health & Risk Communication Center (HRCC) has founded an annual student research fellowship of $1,000 in her name. The Sandi Smith Research Fellowship will assist Communication Arts & Sciences graduate students with expenses related to health, environment, science, or risk communication research projects. These funds are unrestricted.

Dr. Smith directed the HRCC from 2005 to 2017, and her work with students earned her the 2008 B. Audrey Fisher Mentorship Award from the International Communication Association as well as numerous other awards, most recently the MSU University Distinguished Professor award. A prolific scholar and ICA Fellow, Dr. Smith’s passion for communication research, teaching, and health communication have been an inspiration for students over the years.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible to receive the Sandi Smith Research Fellowship, applicants must be enrolled in a graduate program within Michigan State University’s College of Communication Arts & Sciences. Applicant must be working on a research project related to health, environment, science or risk communication. Note: Priority will be given to members of the Health & Risk Communication M.A. program.

**Application Materials**

To apply for the Fellowship, applicant must include the following:

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. 250-word proposal/abstract/explanation of research project and brief explanation of what the funds would be used toward. Research projects should focus on health, environment, science or risk communication research.
3. Letter of support from the student's academic advisor stating that they will collaborate or oversee the research project.

**Applications due November 22, 2021**

**Recipient will be announced December 10, 2021**

**Please email applications to Maria Lapinski at lapinsk3@msu.edu.**