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# Ursula Williams Graduate Student Conference Grant

## Purpose and Value

The grant is for the express purpose of assisting worthy candidates to attend the IALLT biennial conference and may not be put to any other use. The grant is intended to encourage the recipient(s) to become more familiar with the profession by engaging with their colleagues at the conference. It is named for someone who captured the spirit of IALLT over many active years, as one of our most energetic, committed, and convivial members. Ursula Williams was the long-term coordinator of the language resource center at Notre Dame University, and would have become President of IALLT in 2005. Up to three scholarships with a maximum value of \$500 each will be awarded, depending on the availability of funds. Qualifying expenses include travel to, and registration at the conference; any remaining amount up to the maximum value awarded may then be applied towards conference accommodation. It is preferred that payment be made against original invoices directly to the source, however, on presentation of original receipts IALLT may reimburse the individual recipient.

## Candidates

All Graduate Students sufficiently advanced in their graduate work to have a demonstrated commitment to supporting, researching or practicing the use of technology in second language acquisition are eligible to apply.

## Process

Applicants should (1) complete the online [grant application form](#) <sup>[1]</sup>, and (2) arrange for two (2) letters of support from persons with permanent university or equivalent positions who are qualified to evaluate the applicant's suitability for the award. Letters of recommendation are to reach the [IALLT Secretary](#) <sup>[2]</sup> by the same specified deadline as the application. Adjudication will be made by the IALLT Board or their nominees, and the results announced to applicants within one calendar month of the submission deadline. The submission deadline is Friday, April 3, 2015.

## Criteria

In a document of not more than 500 words, applicants must express their interest, and outline their previous study and experience as it relates to the criteria. These include, but may not be limited to, activities as developers, teachers or administrators of technologies which are used to support the acquisition of second languages. Applicants should demonstrate financial need in the form of a simple written statement. Applicants must be student members of IALLT, or agree to become student members via conference registration at the non-member rate. It is expected the successful candidate(s) will submit a proposal to the IALLT Conference Program Committee for delivery of some type of formal presentation at the conference (see the deadline for conference proposal submission), or submit an article to the IALLT Journal for publication consideration within two months of the conference. The Board reserves the right to publicize the successful applicants' names in appropriate publications.

## Sources of Funding

IALLT will seek ongoing corporate support for these grants. Individuals (member or non-member of IALLT) are also encouraged to make donations towards the fund. IALLT is a registered tax-exempt 501 (c) (3) organization, and as such, donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law. [Click here to make a donation.](#) [3]

### **Proceed to the grant application form.** [2]

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