

## **BRIDGE Committee Award Programs Call for Applications 2021**

The AP-LS BROADENING REPRESENTATIVE INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, AND GLOBAL EQUITY OR **BRIDGE** Committee (formerly known as Minority Affairs Committee or MAC) is seeking applicants for two award programs. As part of the BRIDGE Committee initiative to increase diversity within AP-LS, and the profession as a whole, these award programs support research for undergraduate and graduate students. Please take a few minutes to review the program descriptions below and consider if you or any students you know might be eligible, and encourage them to apply. Also, please feel free to forward this information to any colleagues who might be interested in these award programs. **The deadline for submitting proposals for this funding cycle is DECEMBER 15, 2020. Recipients will be announced in March 2021.**

### **Access Path to Psychology and Law Experience Program**

The purpose of the Access Path to Psychology and Law Experience (AP) Program is to increase diversity within psychology and law by increasing the pipeline of competitive graduate school applicants from groups that currently are underrepresented in the field, including racial and ethnic minorities, first-generation college students, LGBT individuals and physically disabled students. AP is designed to encourage faculty members to recruit students from underrepresented groups into their research labs. It provides financial support for the students to obtain meaningful research experience and attend the AP-LS conference as well as other opportunities for mentoring and development. It is the intention of the BRIDGE Committee that many of the students in the AP program will apply for graduate training related to psychology and law and ultimately become professionals in the field. **The AP program primarily targets undergraduate students, but students from terminal master's degree programs will also be considered.**

*For more information about the AP Program, please contact the program Chair, Dr. Anthony Perillo (aperillo@iup.edu) and co-Chair, Dr. Jason Lawrence (jason.lawrence@dmh.mo.gov).*

### **AP-LS Diversity in Psychology and Law Research Awards**

The purpose of the Diversity in Psychology and Law Research Awards is to promote diversity within the American Psychology-Law Society by supporting student research on psycholegal issues related to diversity as well as research by students from underrepresented groups. Projects are eligible for consideration for this award if (1) they investigate topics related to psychology, law, diversity, and/or multiculturalism (e.g., research pertaining to psycholegal issues on race, gender, culture, sexual orientation, etc.) or (2) if the principal investigator is a member of an underrepresented group, including racial and ethnic minorities, first-generation college students, LGBT individuals, and students with physical disabilities. Consistent with the mission of the BRIDGE Committee, these awards are intended to facilitate the research of individuals from groups that are underrepresented in AP-LS, as well as research about issues of potential interest and importance to such groups.

*For more information about the Diversity Program, please contact the program Chair, Dr. Logan Yelderman (layelderman@pvamu.edu) and co-Chair, Dr. Jodi Viljoan (jviljoan@sfu.ca).*

### **Diversity Travel Awards**

Due to the current covid pandemic, the 2021 APLS conference will not be held. Consequently, there will be no travel awards for this coming year.