***Balyta Family Fellowship in STEM Education***

**General eligibility:** To be eligible to apply for this award, you must be a full time graduate student during the upcoming academic year. It is important that you are in good standing and your research fits the award description.

**Please note**: Applications will be reviewed by faculty across departments in the Faculty of Education, as such; it would be beneficial to avoid using discipline-specific jargon. In addition, applicants who receive at least $40,000 in either internal or external funding as of September 1 of the upcoming academic year can still apply for Faculty-level competitions, but will not be able to accept funding. Funding will go to the student ranked next.

Student’s Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Student’s ID number: Click or tap here to enter text.

Student’s Email: Click or tap here to enter text.

Which program are you in? Click or tap here to enter text.

What is your current year of study? Choose an item.

Name(s) of Supervisor(s): Click or tap here to enter text.

Are you planning to register for this upcoming academic year?\* Choose an item.

\*If you have answered no to this question, you are ineligible for this award.

Have you applied for funding / do you anticipate receiving funding as of September 1of this upcoming academic year?\*\* (Internal or External) Choose an item.

\*\*If you have answered yes to this question, please fill out the table below.

Please list the source(s), amount(s), start and end date(s) and status(es).

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**Note:** **Failure to disclose** pending funding applications or anticipated funding (as requested in the box above) will result in your **immediate disqualification** from the competition.

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| M.A. CGPA | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| M.Ed. CGPA | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| M.Sc. CGPA | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| PhD. CGPA | Click or tap here to enter text. |

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Awards and Fellowships:

Please list any awards and fellowships you have held or currently hold. These can include recognitions you received for academics, leadership, community engagement, career and more. For each award or fellowship, please use the following table to list: a) the name of the award/fellowship, b) the date(s) when you received the award/fellowship, c) whether the award/fellowship was given based on merit, d) the amount of the award/fellowship (if applicable), and e) a 1-2 line description of the award. Add additional rows as needed.

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| **Award/Fellowship** | **Date(s)** | **Merit -Based?** | **Amount (if applicable)** | **Brief Description** |
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Publications:

Please list your academic publications. Please format using APA or another conventional style.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Presentations:

Please list your conference presentations. Please format using APA or another conventional style.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Artistic and Other Forms of Dissemination:

Please list your artistic and other forms of dissemination (e.g., workshops, websites, reports, blogs) targeted for audiences both within and outside of the academic environment.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Relevant Experience:

In a brief statement (no more than 250 words), tell us about your relevant previous research and/or professional experiences and how they relate to the award focus. It is important that you tailor your statement to each award you are applying to (do not use the same statement for all your award applications). *Applications containing statements of more than 250 words will be automatically disqualified.*

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Statement of Extenuating Circumstances (Optional):

In a brief statement (no more than 250 words), please include information about your life circumstances that would help explain any aspect of your application (e.g., low CGPA, few publications or presentations, little or no research experience).*Applications containing statements of more than 250 words will be automatically disqualified.*

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Proposed Research Plan:

In a brief statement (no more than 250 words), explain what your Masters or Doctoral research will entail. Include the objectives, the methodology, and a detailed description of the methods you will use to carry out the research. *Applications containing statements of more than 250 words will be automatically disqualified.*

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Propose Research Contribution and Originality:

In a brief statement (no more than 250 words), explain: a) the originality and significance of your research and b) what the potential contribution will be to STEM education. It is important that you tailor your statement to each award you are applying to (do not use the same statement for all your award applications). *Applications containing statements of more than 250 words will be automatically disqualified.*

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**AWARD RUBRIC FOR THE BALYTA FAMILY FELLOWSHIP IN STEM EDUCATION:**

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| **Criteria** | **Indicators** | **Weight** |
| Academic Excellence | When evaluating academic excellence, reviewers will take into account the area of research, the stage of the applicant, and any extenuating circumstances. They will consider the following indicators:* CGPAs
* Number, range, and prestige of awards and fellowships
 | 15% |
| Research Potential & Professional Accomplishments | When evaluating research potential and professional accomplishments, reviewers will take into account the area of research, the stage of the applicant, and any extenuating circumstances. Reviewers will not only consider the quantity of forms of dissemination, but also the quality of venue, the audiences impacted (and the relation of those audiences to the award focus), and the role of the applicant (e.g., lead author). They will consider the following indicators:* Publications
* Presentations
* Artistic and other forms of dissemination
* Relevant experience in relation to the focus of the award
 | 40% |
| Strength of Research Proposal | * Proposed Masters or Doctoral research plan. Plan is detailed and easy to follow for someone not familiar with the research area.
* Proposed contribution and originality of the proposed research.
 | 40% |
| Presentation of Application | * Application is presented clearly, professionally, and concisely. Information is easy to locate and understand.
* Few grammatical errors or typos.
 | 5% |