Department of Psychology

**Dr. Elizabeth Capaldi Phillips Memorial Award  
for Graduate Research in the Psychology of Eating**

**Application Form 2025**

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| **NAME:** (Last) (First) | | **ASU ID #** |
| **CURRENT STREET ADDRESS** | | **CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE** |  | **ZIP CODE** |
| **PHONE NUMBER:** (Work) (Home) | | **EMAIL ADDRESS** |
| **Degree Program:** | **Program Year:** | **Anticipated Graduation Date:** |

**NEED FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (if applicable):**

**The following materials should be emailed to kjgrimm@asu.edu by 5pm on Monday, March 3, 2025:**

1. A completed copy of **this application form;**
2. A brief **statement of purpose** that describes: your academic history; contributions of your past research on the psychology of eating; and your near-future plans for expanding on that work;
3. A **current CV**; and
4. A **letter of recommendation** sent by a faculty memberdirectly to the Awards Committee at **kjgrimm@asu.edu**. Letter writers should identify discipline-specific expectations and norms to facilitate evaluation of the student’s accomplishments.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: By signing below, I certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate, that I meet the eligibility requirements, and I give the Department of Psychology permission to verify my academic record.

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Applicant Signature Date

Please provide the name and department affiliation of the ASU faculty member writing a letter of recommendation for you.

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ASU Faculty Member Department Affiliation

**Description of Dr. Elizabeth Capaldi Phillips Memorial Award  
for Graduate Research in the Psychology of Eating**

**2025**

Eligibility Requirements

1. The student must have formal graduate student standing.
2. The student must have some record of research contributions and future plans relevant to the psychology of eating.
3. The student must be making acceptable and timely progress toward the completion of the graduate degree and be enrolled as a full-time student.
4. The student must be enrolled full-time in the **Fall 2025** semester.

Application Process

1. The application and description of the scholarship are emailed to faculty and graduate students in relevant departments. Application materials are also available online at <https://psychology.clas.asu.edu/student-life/the-graduate-experience/fellowships-and-awards>.
2. The student completes and submits the application.
3. The student arranges for a separate letter of recommendation to be sent by a faculty member.
4. All materials are sent to **kjgrimm@asu.edu (Subject: Capaldi Phillips Award)**. **The deadline for electronic submission of all materials, including the letter of recommendation, is** **5pm on Monday, March 3 2025.**
5. Scholarships are disbursed during the fall semester, so the student must be enrolled as a full-time student during the **Fall 2025** semester to be eligible for this award. Funds are deposited to the student's account and pay for any remaining balances before being accessible to the student.
6. Recipients will be notified by **April 18, 2025.**

Selection Criteria

The award is intended to recognize the efforts of a graduate student researching the psychology of eating. The Department of Psychology Awards Committee will review all submitted materials and make a selection based on the intent of this award.

Award Distribution

The recipients will be honored at the annual end-of-the-year Psychology Department celebration and at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Hearts & Scholars Scholarship Dinner typically held during the (following) spring semester. **Based on estimates from last year, the current expected award amount is approximately $2500; that amount may change due to fluctuations in finances that are beyond the control of the Awards Committee**. Any impact of this award on the student’s financial aid support will be the student’s responsibility.

The **Dr. Elizabeth Capaldi Phillips Memorial Award for Graduate Research in the Psychology of Eating** was established to recognize and encourage the efforts of ASU graduate students researching the psychology of eating, Dr. Capaldi Phillip’s research focus and passion.

Elizabeth Betty Capaldi Phillips served as the University Provost and Executive Vice President of Arizona State University from 2006 to 2013. She was the first woman to hold the post, and shepherded the university through an exciting period of transformation and growth.

Born and raised in New York City, Betty Phillips received her BA in psychology from the University of Rochester in 1965, and her doctorate in experimental psychology from the University of Texas in 1969. Phillips’ research focused on why we like the foods we like, or more generally, with how motivation can be learned. She contributed more than 65 chapters and articles to scientific literature, co-authored three editions of an introductory psychology textbook, and edited two books on the psychology of eating. Phillips was the president of the Association for Psychological Science from 1999 - 2000, and a fellow in that organization, the American Psychological Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Midwestern Psychological Association.

Phillips’ tenure at ASU was distinguished by an unflagging commitment to equality, access, inclusion, interdisciplinarity, and technological innovation in the service of student-centered education. At ASU and throughout her career, Phillips led by empowering others, modelling a spirit of transparency, trust, entrepreneurship and collaboration with faculty across the university who shared her vision, resulting in campus-wide innovations in online education and ground-breaking interdisciplinarity in both research and teaching. She was always a mentor to women and personally invested in increasing their representation in the administrative ranks.