

STUDENT FUNDING PROCESSING GUIDELINES

Congratulations on receiving funding to support your research and inquiry project! Please follow these guidelines to process your funding.

Any funding you are awarded in Fall 2025 or Spring 2026 will need to be spent by the end of the 2025-2026 academic year (May 1, 2026), with the exception of travel in May or June 2026.

If you have any questions regarding processing of OSR student funding awards, please contact Amorette Barber at barberar@longwood.edu or osr@longwood.edu or Ms. Jody Gunn at gunnic@longwood.edu. It is better to ask any questions you have BEFORE you purchase research supplies or travel so please do not hesitate to ask us your questions.

1) Accept the award:

 Please complete the Student Funding Acceptance form: <u>Student Funding Acceptance Form</u> or <u>https://forms.gle/C8dyc7vT5jUP6Unz7</u>

2) Process your Student Funding:

- If you received a <u>Student Research Funding Award</u>, please follow this procedure to process your funding:
- -You will need to work with your faculty mentor and Jody Gunn to purchase your requested research supplies. Please <u>DO NOT</u> purchase the research supplies with your own money, you will need to have your department purchase the research supplies on your behalf.
- You will need to use the Academic Affairs Procurement form to submit your order. Please work with faculty mentor to complete the Procurement form and email the completed form to Ms. Jody Gunn at gunnic@longwood.edu and to the Office of Student Research at osr@longwood.edu. Please include the student names in the email and also cc your departmental administrative assistant so they are aware that an order is going to be delivered.
- All orders for supplies will then be processed through the Academic Affairs Procurement Officer (AAPO) via aaprocurement@longwood.edu.
- -Remember that any research supplies that you purchased with OSR funding are property of Longwood University and need to remain at Longwood University after completion of your research project.

- If you received a **Student Travel Funding Award**, please follow this procedure to process your funding:
 - Complete the **Travel Information Form** and list all of the expected expenses of your travel.
- State travel policies and regulations will determine the approved costs/reimbursement amounts. You can find the Per Diem Rate for lodging and meals for your destination using this link:
 https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates/per-diem-rates-lookup.
- Please note that the use of Air BnB for travel accommodations is not a state-approved lodging option for travelers. You will not be reimbursed for lodging if you use Air BnB.

You will need to work with your faculty mentor and departmental administrative assistant to complete a **Request for Travel Authorization (RTA)** form. This form needs to be completed **BEFORE** you travel. Please allow plenty of time to process this form. Try to aim to complete this form at least 4 weeks before your travel if possible. You will need to share the completed Travel Information Form with your departmental administrative assistant to assist them with completing the RTA.

- A copy of the completed RTA needs to be sent to Ms. Jody Gunn at gunnjc@longwood.edu and to the Office of Student Research at osr@longwood.edu.

After receiving the completed RTA, Ms. Jody Gunn will work with your departmental administrative assistant to process the OSR funding.

- Please do not pay for registration, plane tickets, or other pre-billed expenses yourself. Longwood University and the Office of Student Research will prepay for registration and transportation expenses (airfare and train). If a hotel participates in the direct billing process, when an invoice for the cost of lodging is billed to the university, then the lodging should also be paid directly by the university. If not, then you will be reimbursed for travel costs, such as lodging, mileage, and meals after you have completed your travel and have submitted all receipts for travel. Please work with your departmental administrative assistant to determine if aspects of your travel costs can be prepaid and to have Longwood University prepay for these parts of your travel expenses.
- While you travel, it is <u>essential</u> that you save **itemized receipts** for expenses that were not prepaid.
 This may include itemized bills showing hotel costs, food and beverage costs, and public transportation costs (taxis/bus/metro, etc).
- Within 30 days of your travel, you need to submit your **itemized receipts** from your travel expenses to your departmental administrative assistant. After this, you will need to complete and submit a **Travel Expense Reimbursement Voucher (TERV).**
- A copy of the completed TERV needs to be sent to Ms. Jody Gunn at gunnjc@longwood.edu and to the Office of Student Research at osr@longwood.edu.

After receiving the completed TERV, Ms. Jody Gunn will work with your departmental administrative assistant to process the OSR funding.

3) Present your research AND attend a Career Development Workshop at the Fall or Spring Student Showcase for Research and Creative Inquiry

- You are required to present your research and inquiry project at the Fall or Spring Student Showcase for Research and Creative Inquiry. You can find information about registering for the Student Showcase here: https://www.longwood.edu/studentresearch/student-showcase-for-research-and-creative-inquiry/
- You are also required to attend at least one Career Development Workshop at the Fall or Spring Student Showcase for Research and Creative Inquiry. You can find information about the Student Showcase here: https://www.longwood.edu/studentresearch/student-showcase-for-research-and-creative-inquiry/

4) Student Research Funding Final Report:

By May 1, 2026: Complete the Student Research Funding Final Report. Failure to submit this form may result in a student being ineligible for future funding from the Office of Student Research. You can access the Final Report form using the link below or on the Office of Student Research website.

Student Research Funding Final Report or https://forms.gle/9QXxNT2YGfqBJ7Cw7