Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award
The Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award is sponsored by the Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity (CoRED) of the Society for the Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity (American Psychological Association’s Division 44). The purpose of the Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award is to encourage greater participation in Division 44 annual convention activities by LGBTQ+ students of color. CoRED acknowledges that LGBTQ+ students of color frequently experience increased demands on time and resources as a result of managing multiple identities within professional organizations. The Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award seeks to support engagement with LGBTQ+ people of color issues in psychology by defraying travel costs to the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association in 2020. The convention will be held in Washington, D.C., August 6-9, 2020.

Graduate students who (a) self-identify as LGBTQ+ people of color, (b) demonstrate a strong commitment to LGBTQ+ and ethnic minority issues, (c) plan to attend the 2020 American Psychological Association (APA) Annual Convention, and (d) will still be enrolled as graduate students at the time of the 2020 APA Annual Convention are eligible to apply for the Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award. LGBTQ+ students of color who are presenting research at the convention are especially encouraged to apply, though all applications will be considered. Priority will be given to applicants who have not previously received student travel award funding from the Division 44 Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity. Two student travel awards in the amount of $500 each will be awarded.

Application Procedures
The following application materials must be received by March 30, 2020.

1.) Application Form
Please complete and submit application form included in this document.

2.) Personal Statement
Please submit a personal statement (500-800 words) that addresses each of the following questions:
   (a) In what ways does your graduate program benefit from your self-identification and involvement as an LGBTQ+ person of color?
   (b) How does APA benefit from your participation in professional activities as an LGBTQ+ person of color?
   (c) What unique challenges might LGBTQ+ graduate students of color face that may hinder participation in APA?
   (d) How would attending the 2020 APA Annual Convention further your career goals?
   (e) Are you presenting research at the 2020 APA Annual Convention? If so, will it contribute to the body of knowledge regarding LGBTQ+ people of color issues? If so, how?

3.) Curriculum Vitae
Please submit a curriculum vitae as part of your application.

4.) Letter of Recommendation
Please have a faculty member submit a letter in support of your receiving the Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award. Faculty members are asked to address the applicant’s commitment to LGBTQ+ people of color issues in academic and other domains.

Submission of Application Materials
Submit your materials electronically to Drs. Cliff Yung-Chi Chen and Tangela Roberts (coredcommittee@gmail.com).

Questions?
Please contact CoRED co-chairs Dr. Cliff Yung-Chi Chen and Dr. Tangela Roberts (coredcommittee@gmail.com)
Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity  
Division 44 – Society for the Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity

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Application Form

Name of Applicant: ________________________________

Name of Graduate School: ________________________________

Specialization within Graduate Program (if applicable) ________________________________

Degree Sought: ___________________________ Year in School: ___________________________

Cumulative GPA: ___________________________ Contact Phone #: __________________________

Contact E-mail: ________________________________

Enrolled in grad school in August 2020? (Y/N) ___________________________ Attending 2020 APA Convention? (Y/N) ___________________________

Are you planning to present your research at the 2020 APA Convention? (Y/N) ___________________________

If so, has your research proposal been accepted for the 2020 APA Convention (Y/N) ___________________________

In what format will you present your research at the 2020 APA Convention (poster, symposium paper, etc.)? ___________________________

What is the title of your research presentation? ___________________________

I certify that all of the application materials for the Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award submitted by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any significant misstatement in, or omission from, this application may be cause for denial of selection or revocation of the travel grant. I authorize representatives from the Division 44 Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity (CoRED) to consult with the author of my letter of recommendation. I release from liability all Division 44 representatives for acts performed in good faith and without malice in connection with evaluating my application materials.

I further understand that it is my responsibility to inform the Division 44 CoRED of any changes in my status with my academic program, plans to attend the 2020 APA Annual Convention, or plans to present any research at the convention that may occur prior to the 2020 APA Annual Convention.

If I am awarded the Dr. Richard A. Rodriguez Division 44 Student Travel Award, I agree to the use of my name and photographic likeness in Division 44 materials including, but not limited to, website, newsletters, brochures, etc.

Applicant’s Electronic Signature: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________