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**NASBA ANNOUNCES ACCOUNTING EDUCATION RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM  
“Academicians and Post Doctoral Researchers encouraged to  
compete for \$25,000 in awards.”**

**NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 9, 2012** – The National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) announced today the 2012 Call for Proposals for its Accounting Education Research Grants Program. First launched in 2011, the program seeks to advance research on educational issues impacting Certified Public Accountants (CPA), the public accounting profession and state boards’ charge to protect the public.

This year, NASBA will fund and award up to three research grants totaling a maximum of \$25,000 for one-year research projects. Faculty and postdoctoral researchers at U.S. academic institutions are encouraged to apply.

“NASBA is excited to work with the academic community again,” said Alfonzo Alexander, NASBA Chief Relationship Officer. “We desire to be a resource for CPAs, educators, regulators and CPA candidates through this program.”

Research interests of NASBA include, but are not limited to:

- Characteristics of successful CPA candidates,
- Ideal or model curricula for successful CPA candidates,
- Effective sections or rules of code of professional conduct to protect the public,
- Characteristics of the best work experience requirements,
- Barriers (i.e., education, examination, or experience) for minorities and other groups seeking a CPA license, and
- Success or failure of on-line accounting education.

In 2011, research grants were awarded to researchers representing the following institutions: Mount Olive College (Mount Olive, NC), Alabama A&M University (Normal, AL), Howard University (Washington, DC), The University of Mississippi (University, MS) and St. Cloud State University (St. Cloud, MN).

Proposals will be accepted (in electronic format) through 11:59 p.m. (CDT) on April 9, 2012. Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals in advance of the deadline. Grant recipients will be announced on May 16, 2012.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access additional information regarding the Call for Proposals (including a full program description, eligibility requirements, application deadlines and details on proposal submission).

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## **About NASBA**

Celebrating more than 100 years of service, the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) serves as a forum for the nation's state boards of accountancy, which administer the Uniform CPA Examination, license over 650,000 certified public accountants and regulate the practice of public accountancy in the United States.

NASBA's mission is to enhance the effectiveness of state boards of accountancy in meeting their regulatory responsibilities. The Association promotes the exchange of information among accountancy boards, serving the needs of the 55 U.S. jurisdictions.

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