

Application for CAL ARC Sponsorship of an Action Research Project—2010–2011

Action research is a form of applied research that allows practitioners to study themselves in their own settings in order to improve their practice; this method provides school counselors with opportunities to do research on tangible issues and problems at their own sites. CAL ARC criteria for selection of a project include relevance of research to current school counseling issues in California, clearly stated research goals, appropriateness of research design and instrument, and overall clarity and quality of proposal.

*Please complete the application below and submit it to Dr. Suzy Thomas at stthomas@stmarys-ca.edu or Dr. Lonnie Rowell at lrowell@sandiego.edu by **June 1, 2010**. Projects selected for School Counseling Action Research Collaborative sponsorship will be featured presentations at the annual CASC Conference.*

1. Name(s) of Researcher(s):
2. Institution(s):
3. Research Topic (please describe in 25 words or less the focus of your study, including your primary research question):
4. Proposed Method (please describe in 50 words or less the approach you would like to take to address your research question; attach a survey or other instrument if you have developed one already):
5. Relevance to School Counseling (25 words or less):
6. Relevance to Research (Please describe in 50 words or less the ways in which the proposed project will strengthen the research base in school counseling; that is, how will this study contribute to the links between research and practice and help to promote the legitimacy of school counseling as a profession?):
7. Could this project be carried out simultaneously in more than one setting?
Yes/No
8. Would you be willing to collaborate with others who have a similar interest or who might want to replicate your study in their own setting? Yes/No
9. Would you be willing to present the results of your study at the CASC Conference? Yes/No