

# Quick Reference: Research Award Application Portal Instructions

**Mid-Career Research Awards** 

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#### Introduction

This guide was developed to assist first-time users of the DF Research Award Application Portal. For detailed award eligibility and proposal requirements, please reference the Mid-Career Research Awards Applicant Instructions on the DF website.

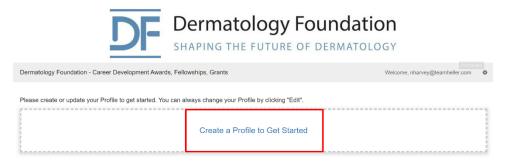
### Sign Up and Create a Profile

To complete an application for the Dermatology Foundation's Research Awards you will need to sign up and create a Profile on the DF Research Award Application Portal. This Profile can be used to submit all Dermatology Foundation research award applications. Please note that each research award category will have a unique link, so check the DF website to ensure you are applying for your desired award.

If you do not yet have an account or Profile, under "Need an Account" click the "Sign Up" button. On the Sign-Up page, enter an email address and password. The password should contain more than 8 characters that include upper- and lower-case letters and at least one number.



Once signed in, click on "Create a Profile to Get Started". Fill out all the fields in Profile. If you need to revisit your Profile before submitting, click "Save Draft". Once you have completed filling out Profile information, click "Create Profile".



To complete your Profile, the following fields are required:

- First Name
- Middle Initial
- Last Name

- Degrees
- Date Completed Terminal Degree
- Current Position Title
- Position at the Time of Funding
- Current Mailing Address
- Telephone number Telephone number should be formatted as 555-555-5555
- Email address
- US Citizenship
- Dermatology Residency Training
- Current Institution

Once Profile information has been completed, the application process can begin. You will use this Profile to apply for all Dermatology Foundation research awards. Your Profile information can be updated at any time by selecting "Edit" next to the Profile section when logged into the portal.



# **Application Support**

For all application support, please contact the Dermatology Foundation at <a href="mailto:dfrap@dermatologyfoundation.org">dfrap@dermatologyfoundation.org</a>.

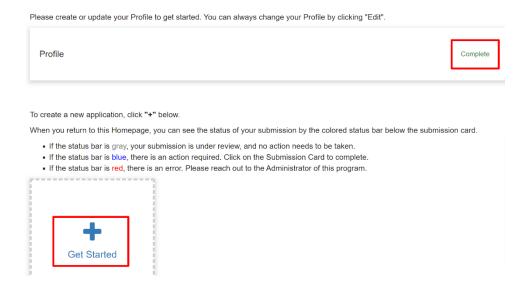
# **Application Portal Considerations**

The application portal instructions below provide steps on how to complete your application as well as required fields that will be needed for submission.

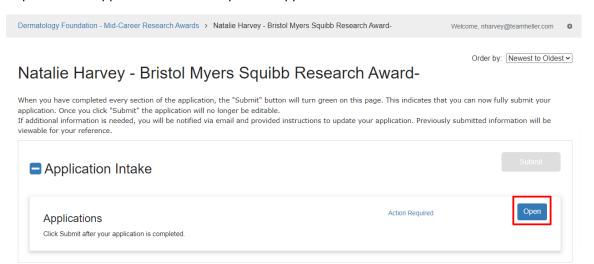
- To apply for your desired award, make sure to follow the correct link to that award portal. To ensure you are applying for the correct award check the <u>DF website</u>.
- Click the "Save Draft" button at the bottom of the page as you enter information prior to completing your application.
- Additional required fields will vary depending on your award type and selections.
- For file uploads, please use a PDF file format.
- When signed in, you can review the status of your application(s) by the colored status bar gray indicates that your submission is being reviewed, blue indicates that follow-up is required, and red indicates that there is an error with your application. If there is an error, contact dfrap@dermatologyfoundation.org for support.

# Mid-Career Research Awards Application Instructions

To sign in, <u>follow this link</u> to complete your Profile and access the application for the Mid-Career Research Awards Application. Select "Get Started" to begin your application.



After you select "Get Started" you can begin your Mid-Career Research Awards Application. Select "Open" under Application Intake to open the application form.



The application will remain open until it is submitted. As changes and updates are made to your application, please periodically click "Save Draft" at the bottom of the application page to save your work.

#### **Application Information**

The Application Information section requires the following fields:

- Application Type The specific award you are applying for
- Project Title
- Project Categories The Dermatology Foundation seeks to categorize all research applications received for program review and planning purposes
  - Project Subcategory

#### Contacts

Be prepared to provide the following information for your institution's Dermatology Department Chair or Division Chief, Institutional Officer (Dean or designated official), Fiscal Officer, and Grant Administrator:

- First Name
- Last Name
- Address
- Phone Number
- Email Address

#### **Project Summary**

Below are the required application documents for Mid-Career Research Awards. Be sure to upload in PDF format. The Applicant Instructions on <a href="the DF">the DF</a> website provide format and content requirements for each of the documents below.

- Research Proposal
- Applicant Biosketch
- Short Project Summary
- Long Project Summary
- Detailed Budget
- Letter of Support from Chair
- Headshot Black and white photo preferred in JPG format

#### Certification

You will be required to certify your application, check the "Yes" checkbox to certify.

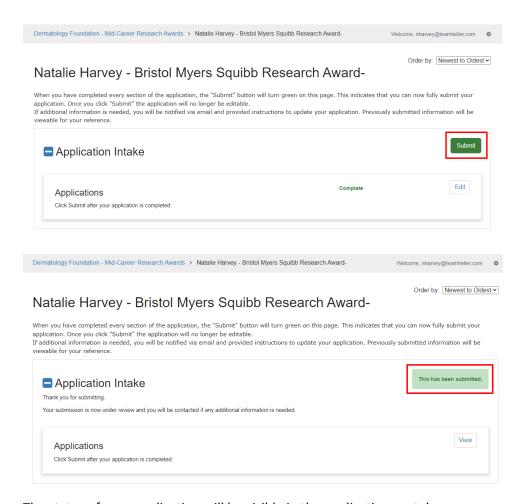
#### Mark Your Application as Complete and Submit

This is a two-step process. Once all required sections are completed, select "Mark Complete".

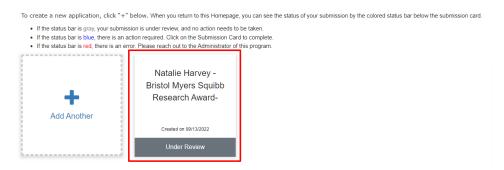


After you have marked your application as complete, you will still be able to make edits until you Submit the application. Your application will not be final and submitted for review until you select the green "Submit" next to Application Intake.

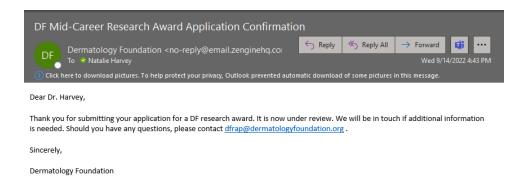
Click on the green "Submit" button to submit your final application. Once the application has been submitted it will no longer be editable but can be viewed for your reference.



The status of your application will be visible in the application portal.



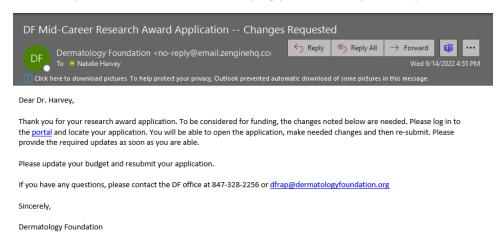
After pressing "Submit" you will receive an email confirming the submission of your application.



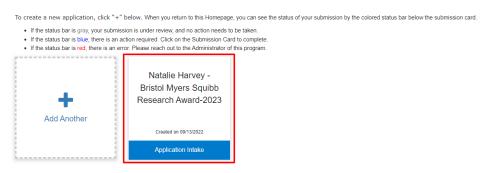
If additional information is needed or changes are required, you will receive an email with next steps. Review the Application Changes section shown below for instructions on how to address any needed changes.

# **Application Changes**

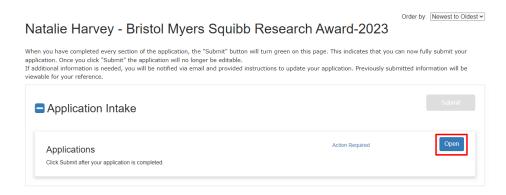
While your application is under review if additional information is needed or changes are required by a reviewer, you will receive an email notifying you of the requested updates.



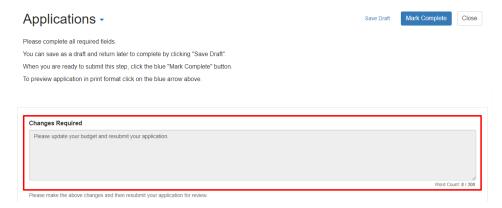
Login to DF Research Award Application Portal and you will see that the status of the application has changed from gray (Under Review) to blue (Application Intake). Select the blue "Application Intake" button to make the requested changes.



You will then be taken to the application page, select "Open" to make the requested changes to your application.

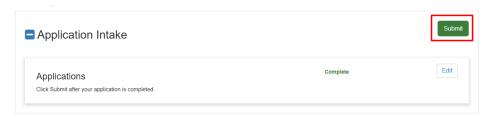


Your application will have a check mark in the "Changes Requested" check box and any requested changes will be listed at the top of your open application form in the "Changes Required" box.

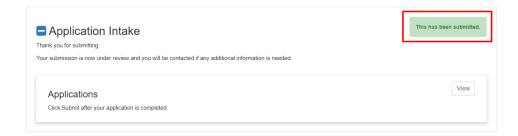


Once you have completed the requested changes, scroll down to the bottom of the page and select "Mark Complete". Remember to save your work with the "Save Draft" button as you work if you are not ready to complete the changes to your application.

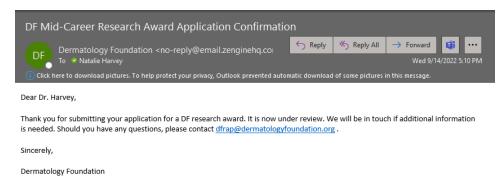
You will be taken back to the application intake page, click the green "Submit" button to resubmit your application.



The Submit button will update to show that you have successfully completed the application.

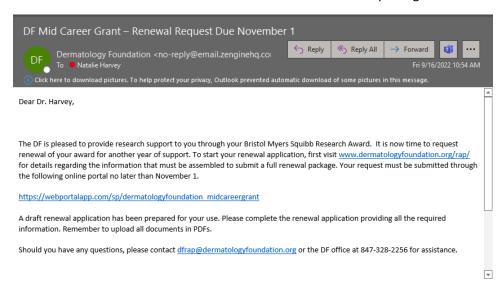


You will also receive an email confirming the completion of your application.

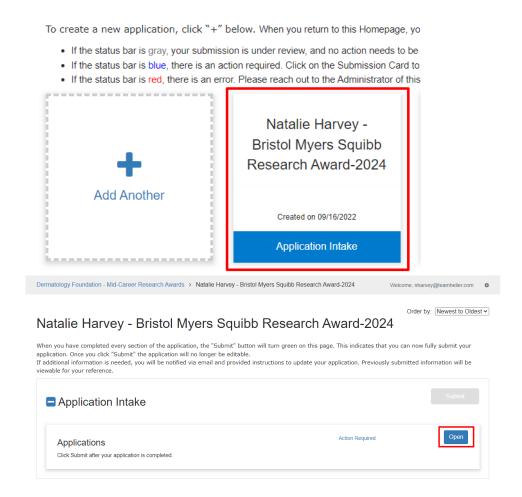


## **Application Renewal**

When it is time to request renewal of your Mid-Career Research Awards, you will receive an email and a link from the Dermatology Foundation. You will need to create a Profile and log in to the DF Research Award Application Portal. Visit <a href="www.dermatologyfoundation.org/rap/">www.dermatologyfoundation.org/rap/</a> for details regarding the information that must be assembled to submit a full renewal package.



A draft application has been added for you to update and submit. Once logged in, select the renewal application you wish to submit. On the application intake page select the blue "Open" button.



The "Renewal Year" field will state if your renewal is for the first or second year. Renewal applications are only available for two years.

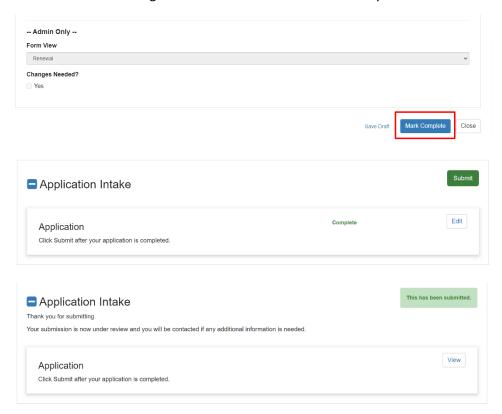
Review the information on your application to confirm that the information is correct.

Upload documents in PDF format to complete your renewal request. Do not edit or change any of the fields within your renewal application except the following:

- Submit your Interim Research Report
- Submit Publications
- Submit Copies of Publications
- Submit a Detailed Budget
- Submit a Current Applicant Biosketch
- Confirm that all contact information is correct and up to date
- Certification of application

There are two fields at the bottom of your renewal application that are for administrators only and do not require any updates.

Once you have updated your application, complete your application by selecting "Mark Complete". Click on the green "Submit" button to submit your renewal application. Once the application has been submitted it will no longer be editable but can be viewed for your reference.



After pressing "Submit" you will receive an email confirming the submission of your application.

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