

The National Science Foundation recently funded a conference entitled *Validity Evidence for Measurement in Mathematics Education (V-M²Ed)* to be held in San Antonio, TX. The conference will be held from April 2-3, 2017 - prior to the NCTM Research Conference. The V-M²Ed conference will bring together researchers (including graduate students) from different theoretical and methodological perspectives to contextualize current conceptions of validity within the field of mathematics education. We intend to spark conversations and foster collaboration across individuals and groups with an interest in validity. Conference participants may include individuals with expertise in mathematics education, psychometrics, and applied measurement (e.g., special education or educational psychology researchers), as well as individuals with interests related to measure validity (e.g., policy). The purpose of the conference is to facilitate discussion on strengthening quantitative measure quality in mathematics education, with a specific focus on validity as it relates to tools used to measure student- and teacher-related outcomes that are useful for large-scale applications.

The aims of the V-M²Ed conference are:

1. defining and contextualizing key terms identified as critical to examining validity of quantitative tools and measures, and
2. creation and dissemination of a document (or set of documents) expressing ideas related to these definitions and contextualizations to the field of researchers working within mathematics education.

Stipends are available for those selected to participate. Interested individuals (including graduate students) are encouraged to apply at the following link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/y0bDrdMmpnb7wI6I3>

Applications are due November 21, 2016. If you would like more information then please contact Jonathan Bostic (PI; bosticj@bgsu.edu) or Michele Carney (co-PI; michelecarney@boisestate.edu).

Best Regards,

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