

SCS5 Travel Fellowship guidelines for students from Non-European Union nations

Important dates

Submission opens: Feb 22nd
Submission closes: April 9th
Award notifications: May 2nd

Conditions for eligibility

1. Applicant must be the presenting author of an accepted abstract at the SC symposium. Application may be submitted before acceptance notification is received, however, applications from rejected authors cannot be considered for funding per the guidelines set by the funding agencies. Multiple authors applying with the same abstract will not be considered. Only one abstract per applicant.
2. Applicant must be registered in a degree program (undergraduate or graduate) at an accredited university or college in a Non-European Union nation at the time of the conference. Applicants must also be holding a passport issued by a non-EU- or non-EMBC-state to be eligible. The excluded countries include: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom.
3. This year we have a special category for candidates from developing nations. To qualify for this category, applicant must be currently pursuing a degree in an accredited university and currently residing in any country not classified as a High-Income Economy according to the World Bank (<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/DATASTATISTICS/0,,contentMDK:20421402~pagePK:64133150~piPK:64133175~theSitePK:239419,00.html>).
4. Recipients of an ISMB/ECCB 2009 travel fellowship sponsored by the ISCB are not eligible.
5. Funded applicant will be required to register for the ISCB Student Council Symposium and ISMB/ECCB 2009. The deadline for fellowship recipients to register for the conference will be noted in the notification letter.
6. Funded applicant is responsible for paying all expenses of attending the conference up front, including conference registration fee. If your attendance at the ISCB Student Council Symposium and ISMB/ECCB 2009 conference is dependent on receipt of a

travel fellowship, please do not register until after the notification of travel fellowships.

7. Funded applicant must submit receipts for travel and accommodations that equal or exceed the announced award amount in order to receive the full award funding.
8. Successful applicants have to give the ISCB Student Council permission to use their name and photo in promotional materials (printed and electronic).
9. Please note that community service such as involvement in scientific societies and organizing conferences is not required but will count as merit towards the selection of award recipients.

Eligible expenses

Conference registration fee is not considered an eligible expense, as it is expected that will be covered by your institution. Travel fellowship awards are not intended to cover all expenses of attending the conference, so it is recommended that each applicant seek and secure additional funding sources as well (i.e., from your own institution or grant funding).

Eligible expenses applicable toward this travel fellowship award include airfare/train fare, hotel accommodations (up to 100 Euro per night for 4 nights) and meals/miscellaneous (up to 150 Euro). You will need to submit copies of your airline/train invoices and hotel confirmation/invoices (please ask for an invoice when you check-in to your hotel) with your fellowship information form. There is no need to submit receipts for other expenses (such as meals, local transportation, etc). You will also need to turn in evidence of your eligibility status (such as a student identity card).

Instructions

1. Submit an abstract to the ISCB Student Council Symposium. Do not send your abstract with your application.
2. Send an email to fellowship@iscbsc.org including the following details no later than April 9th
 - a. Title and full list of authors of submitted abstract.
 - b. A detailed budget for the support you are requesting with amounts for airfare, hotel and meals/miscellaneous.
 - c. Applicant should submit their CV in NIH biosketch format. Download a fillable PDF from NIH website (<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/biosketch.pdf>). You can find a sample biosketch here (<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/biosketchsample.pdf>).
 - d. Category (Non-EU or Developing nation)

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3. You will be notified if your application has been approved or rejected for funding by May 2nd. Details of receipt submission and check distribution will be included in notification letter.