Medical Student Research Conference Grant Application

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Description of grant:

Conferences and scientific meetings provide valuable opportunities for graduate and professional students to learn about current findings in their field, present their work, and network with other members of the scientific community. This grant is intended to support Drexel University College of Medicine medical students who are actively engaged in research and are given the opportunity to present their findings at scientific meetings or conferences. The number and amount of awards will be given at the discretion of the SGA Executive Board and the OSA Representative and will depend on the number of applications. The award can be used to cover meeting-related expenses including conference registration and associated fees (e.g. poster printing), travel to and from the meeting, lodging while at the meeting (reimbursed up to $125/night for 2 nights), and food (reimbursed up to $50/day). The award recipient is expected to be budget-conscious while planning the trip, and to apply for any travel awards provided by the conference. Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously attended conferences. Students must be in good academic standing. Applicants must be giving a poster or oral presentation at the meeting to be considered for this award. Award recipients are required to display their affiliation with the College of Medicine and present their research at Drexel Discovery Day in the fall and Medical Student Research Day in the spring.

Requirements #1-6 must be submitted electronically as one document. A paper copy of the recommendation letter can be submitted to Mike Lombardo in the Office of Student Affairs Attn: SGA/OSA Research Conference Grant, 2900 Queen Lane, Philadelphia, PA 19129 OR by e-mail to sga@drexelmed.edu. All materials must be received within 1 month of the conference date and they will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Applications should be e-mailed to sga@drexelmed.edu.

Required application materials:

1) Applicant C.V.
2) Meeting details (i.e. name, date, and location)
3) Description of why the meeting is a good opportunity
4) Budget, including all expenses for which funding is requested, and amount to be contributed by the student’s lab
5) Abstract to be presented
6) Copy of application for additional scholarship or travel awards
7) Recommendation from mentor or program director (for students not conducting lab research, i.e. some professional studies students), including how the meeting chosen will lead to the professional development of the student and including financial need.