

FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

UC Davis Postdoctoral Scholars Association (PSA) Travel Grants

The PSA Travel Grant is a \$400 grant (contingent on continued funding) for UC Davis postdoctoral scholars who need financial support to present their work at conferences. Postdoctoral Scholars with full support to travel to conferences may apply, however priority is given to postdoctoral scholars with limited or no funding. Up to fifteen awards are available per year; funding is given as a reimbursement, post-conference.

Selection Criteria

- Appointment Status. Postdoctoral Scholars must have an appointment at UC Davis (Title codes: 3252, 3253, 3254, 3240, 3370)
- Financial need. Priority is given to applicants who have partial or no financial support from the department or principal investigator.
- Merit of Research. The merit of research will be judged by the **proposed** or **submitted** meeting abstract. Abstract submission as well as verification and receipt of conference attendance are required to claim award.
- Need for Career and Professional Development. The need of the scholar for career and professional development will be considered if attendance will significantly enhance this aspect of their career.
- Merit of the Individual. The scholar's research background, including publications, grant awards, honors and education will be considered when determining awards.

Application Process

Postdoctoral Scholars **must electronically submit** the following items in order to be considered for the grant:

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. Letter of recommendation from principal investigator stating:
 - a. The need for additional support for travel to the meeting/conference
 - b. The scholar's merit,
 - c. The importance to the career development of the scholar.
3. Copy of the **proposed** or **submitted** abstract.
4. Statement from the scholar supporting their application. Specifically address the reasons you meet the four criteria listed above (not to exceed 500 words).
5. Proof of conference existence. Must include the DATE and LOCATION of the conference for consideration.

Submission Deadlines and Award Dates

This award has three cycles per year. The deadlines for each cycle are as follows:

Award Cycle	Deadline	Notice Date
Jan 1 – Apr 30	Oct 15 (previous year)	Nov 15
May 1 – Aug 31	Feb 15	Mar 15
Sep 1 – Dec 31	Jun 15	Jul 15

If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, it will be automatically extended to the next business day.

Electronic submission is required. Please submit all applications as a pdf document only to ucdpsa@gmail.com with the subject "Application for travel award - <your name>". PI recommendation letters may be sent separately. Free pdf conversion programs (e.g. <http://zamzar.com/>) are online.

Postdoctoral scholars at UC Davis may receive this award only once. PSA Travel grant recipients may be asked to help with the review process for future cycles.

For questions, please contact one of the PSA Officers (<http://postdocs.ucdavis.edu/about/officers.html>).

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