

Council on Undergraduate Research
Biology Division
Student Travel Awards Announcement
2014 – 2015

The Biology Division of the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) is offering a limited number of travel grants, up to \$250 each, for undergraduate students presenting original research results at a regional or national, discipline-specific meeting* during the fiscal year 2014 - 2015. Award recipients are required to acknowledge CUR for support of their travel in their talk or poster, to complete a short evaluation form about their meeting experience and to submit a PDF file of their poster. Minority students are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Student must be an undergraduate at either a two- or four-year institution. If the student is a graduating senior, travel must be completed within three months of graduation.
- Student's mentor must be a CUR member or the student's home institution must be a CUR institutional member
- Student's home institution must provide at least a 50% match to support travel

Application materials:

- Electronic application form **must be completed by nominating faculty mentor** ([Click here](#))
- Reimbursement of travel expenses (up to \$250) will require copies of receipts and confirmation of student's attendance/presentation at the meeting.

Selection Criteria: Travel Award recipients will be chosen based on the scholarly merit of their abstract, which should include:

- A sentence that clearly states the study's OBJECTIVE (unless included in the title)
- A brief statement of METHODS (if pertinent)
- A summary of the RESULTS
- A statement of CONCLUSIONS (it is not acceptable to state "the results will be discussed")
- A statement of SIGNIFICANCE

Deadline: Applications must be received by 5 pm EST August 29, 2014 for meetings held between September 15, 2014 – February 15, 2015 **or** by 5 pm EST January 15, 2015 for meetings held between February 16 – June 30, 2015. Applicants will be notified four to six weeks after application deadline.

Questions: please send to Dr. Evelyn Hiatt at ehiatt@kwc.edu

* Tri-Beta, Sigma Xi and NCUR are not considered to be discipline-specific meetings. While the Biology Division truly appreciates the value of these meetings to the educational experience of undergraduates, for this award we choose to use our limited funds to help undergraduates attend a discipline-specific meeting to enable interactions with primary researchers within that discipline.