

EXPAND Graduate Student Travel Award Application

The EXPAND Graduate Student Travel Award provides funds to life science graduate students to defray costs of travel to scientific meetings or to extramural professional courses and workshops. Students may be enrolled in either Biology, Psychology, Environmental Sciences, or BIMS graduate programs, provided their research is within the life sciences. If funds are requested to attend a conference, the student must present research at the conference or serve in a formal role, such as moderator of a panel. If funds are requested to attend a specialized course, the student must provide specific justification for the additional training provided by the course.

Preference will be given to students who have completed all pre-dissertation requirements (coursework and qualifying exam), for whom funds for conference travel from other sources are limited, **and** who have participated in EXPAND offerings/opportunities (see EXPAND website). Reviewers will also consider the student's level of scientific productivity and engagement in research-based activities. Each student is eligible to receive one EXPAND Travel Award per academic year.

Email applications to: expand@virginia.edu along with:

- A title and abstract of your presentation with all authors listed
- An up-to date CV
- A short explanation of how your research is interdisciplinary and brings new research ideas and approaches to the phenotype
- An itemized budget

Awards will only be made to support future travel, not to reimburse past travel.

Awardees will be notified of the status of their application within 1-3 weeks. Not all proposals will be funded, and most awards will likely offset only a portion of the total expenses required to attend. Award amounts typically range from \$500-1000 per student.

Your Name:

Year in PhD program:

Title of Conference/Course:

Dates of Conference/Course

Your role:

Have you applied for other travel awards this year? Yes No

If yes, list names and amounts:

EXPAND offerings attended/participated in:

Estimated budget in dollar amounts:

Registration:

Lodging:

Food:

Transportation:

Other:

Funds available to you from other sources: