

## **Student Travel to Conferences Where Do I Find Funding?**

### **On campus funding sources...**

**URSCA Office.** If you have been accepted to present at a professional conference, you can apply to the URSCA office for travel support for up to \$500. If you have an opportunity to attend a conference but are not presenting the URSCA office may, given availability of funds, be able to support up to \$200 of your travel expenses.

The form to complete is found on the Conference Resources section of the URSCA website. Complete this form and send it, along with your budget, to Professor Aimee Knupsky, Director of URSCA at Box 39. Your budget can include the cost of: registration, transportation, lodging, and food.

**Student government.** ASG will often make a contribution towards student travel to conference. You can petition them for funds.

**Class of '39 funds.** The Provost's office oversees the Class of '39 funds which provide support for senior project related expenses, including support for conferences. If your presentation is part of your senior project, the Provost's office may be able to provide additional support through these funds.

**Department.** Individual departments on campus may be able to provide modest amounts for student travel to present at conferences. You should contact the chair of your department to see if there is such funding available.

### **Off campus funding sources...**

**Conference Funds.** Sometimes the conference you are attending will have awards for undergraduates to attend, so you should check on the website for the conference.

**Student Chapters or Honorary Societies.** Student chapters of professional organizations and/or student honorary societies often have student travel awards for presentation. If you are not sure which professional organization is relevant for your area, check with your faculty mentor.

**Council on Undergraduate Research.** CUR is a national organization that supports undergraduate research. The organization is divided into divisions representing various fields of research. These Divisions sometimes provide student travel awards. You can check [the CUR website](#) to find these opportunities. If you are not sure which division is appropriate, please check with your faculty mentor. Allegheny College is an institutional member of CUR, so our students and faculty are all eligible for their resources.

### **Points of Contact...**

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Go here for information about how to get involved in research on campus (during the year or in the summer) or to request funding to travel to present at a professional conference.

Website is here <http://sites.allegheny.edu/research/>

Jim Fitch  
Director of Career Education  
Gateway

Go here for information about funding assistance for summer internships off-campus that do not providing funding (e.g., housing, etc.) or to request funding to travel to a conference where you are not presenting.

Website is here <http://sites.allegheny.edu/career/>

Patrick Jackson  
National Fellowships Advisor  
Gateway

Go here for information about national scholarships and awards (e.g., Fulbright opportunities).

Website is here <http://sites.allegheny.edu/smp/>

Provost Cole  
Class of '39 Fund

Go here for funding available to support the pursuit of a senior comprehensive project.

Application for this form can be found here <http://sites.allegheny.edu/dean/student-funding-resources/>