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STUDENT CONFERENCE
PRESENTATION

GRANT APPLICATION

Financial Support for Student Doctors to Present Scholarly Work at Conferences

Research and scholarly activity are integral to the educational mission and overall learning environment of the Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine (LUCOM). Student-Doctors are encouraged to participate in biomedical research, clinical research, and scholarly writing. Student-Doctors are also encouraged to present scholarly work at scientific or clinical conferences as opportunities arise. Through the Research Committee and the Student Conference Presentation (SCP) grant program, LUCOM provides financial support for student-doctors to make presentations at conferences. The LUCOM Research Committee makes SCP grant recommendations to the Dean.

SCP Grants

General Guidelines

1. Student-Doctors who are presenting work (poster or oral presentation) at a conference are eligible to apply for a SCP grant. There are 2 options:
 - I. The student-doctor who is the presenting author on an abstract may apply for a SCP grant. If awarded, the SCP grant would be for the student's conference expenses.
 - II. A group of student-doctors, one of which is the presenting author and all of which are co-authors on an abstract, may apply for a SCP grant. If awarded, the SCP grant would be equally distributed among the students for conference expenses.
2. Student-Doctors must be in good academic standing to apply for an SCP grant.
3. Student-Doctors are eligible to receive one SCP grant per academic year.
4. SCP grants can be used to cover conference registration, abstract fees, poster printing expenses, transportation, and lodging expenses (typically, a maximum of \$1200 and \$2,000/grant for individual and group grants, respectively).
5. SCP grants are awarded based on the availability of funds.

Application and Grant Process

1. Eligible student-doctors (see Guidelines above) may apply for a SCP grant.
2. The SCP grant application consists of the following:
 - Cover letter from the student-doctor(s) providing the following information:
 - a. name, location & dates of the conference
 - b. type of presentation (poster or oral)
 - c. whether the abstract was accepted after a peer review process by the conference and, if available, historical acceptance rates for the conference
 - Brief letter of support from the individual who mentored the work being presented
 - Copy of the abstract accepted by the conference
 - Itemized request for funds (conference registration fee, abstract fee, poster printing fee, and estimates for travel and lodging)
3. A complete application package is submitted by e-mail to the Associate Dean for Research. jwbrewer1@liberty.edu.
4. Applications are to be submitted at least 30 days prior to the conference.
5. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
6. The Research Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations to the Dean.
7. SCP grant decisions are communicated to applicants by the Associate Dean for Research.
8. Disbursement of SCP grants is coordinated by the Director of Administration and Finance.

