



ACS Local Section

Central Massachusetts

Travel Grant Application Requirements

The Central Massachusetts Section of the American Chemical Society (CMSACS) is instituting for the first time this year travel grants for students wishing to attend either the National ACS meeting (August 16-20, San Francisco, CA) or the Northeast Regional Meeting (NERM, October 18-21, Rochester, NY). These travel grants are available to students of institutions in the area served by CMSACS; undergraduates are especially encouraged to apply. The application requirements are listed below:

- A student applying for a grant should have a poster or oral presentation accepted at the meeting.
- Each CMSACS travel grant will typically cover up to 50% of the total cost for attending the meeting (registration, travel, lodging) up to a maximum of \$1,000.
- Student applications should be accompanied by the following items:
 - A brief CV
 - A letter of recommendation from the student's academic/research advisor; this letter should also list any other sources of funding (e.g. from external grants or from the student's institution) for which the student has applied
 - A budget form completed by the student (the form can be downloaded from the CMSACS website)
 - A copy of the abstract that was submitted to the meeting (please indicate if the abstract has been accepted at the time of the application). Note: Awardees must submit evidence of presentation after the meeting to receive reimbursement.

All the above items should be submitted via email to the Secretary of CMSACS, Dr. Jia Wei at jia.w@hotmail.com. Applications will be reviewed by a committee selected by the CMSACS Executive Committee. Applications deadlines for specific meetings will be posted on the CMSACS website. A decision will be communicated to all applicants before the deadline for cancelling one's registration for a specific meeting with full refund of the application fee. Thus, if a student's application for a travel grant is not approved there will be time to cancel the registration if no other source of funding becomes available.

We look forward to assisting deserving students in their efforts to augment their knowledge of chemistry, enhance their exposure to the chemistry enterprise, and become involved with the chemistry community by attending and presenting at these ACS meetings.

Sincerely,
The CMSACS Executive Committee