

## ASTMH Committee on Global Health (ACGH) Student/Post-Doc Travel Awards

The ACGH works to promote the presentation, discussion, collaboration and advocacy of global health issues that are transnational, multidisciplinary and disproportionately affecting underserved populations worldwide. The ACGH has four focus areas:

- Students, career development and education
- Research and scholarship
- Advocacy
- Recognition of outstanding global health contributions

ACGH is soliciting applications for its Student/Post-Doc Travel Award. During the ASTMH Annual Meeting (October 28 – November 1, 2018, Sheraton New Orleans, New Orleans, LA), the selected students or post-docs will present either orally or in a poster format their research that directly promotes the practice of global health. The following criteria will be considered in the application review process:

- Significance, scientific accuracy, originality and extent to which the submission addresses multidisciplinary approaches to health issues that affect underserved and under-resourced populations
- Demonstration of student's active participation in global health efforts, through advocacy, program implementation, research or networking efforts
- Letter of recommendation

The ACGH Student Travel Award Committee will make the final selection, including any decisions related to eligibility of applicants.

Online application site - Beginning late February, applications can be submitted online

Application deadline – April 4, 2018

**Award Information** - The recipients will present their studies at the 2018 ASTMH Annual Meeting (October 28 - November 1, 2018, Sheraton New Orleans, New Orleans, LA) and will receive a complimentary registration and *up to* \$750 US to help defray costs to attend the meeting. Recipients will be invited to attend the President's Reception held during the Annual Meeting. Every applicant will receive a notification of the award status in the fall of 2018.

**Eligibility Requirements** - Eligibility is limited to graduate students, medical students, residents or post-doctoral fellows who are conducting global health research and actively participating in advocacy, program implementation or networking efforts for global health. The award recipients will present their research during the Society's Annual Meeting.

## **Application Process**

Applicants must submit:

- A cover letter describing the applicant's interest in global health and participation in global health efforts, such as advocacy, program implementation, research or networking (approximately 2,500 character limit)
- Abstract with the abstract number assigned by the ASTMH abstract submission site, example: 18-A-1234-ASTMH. The abstract submission site is available <a href="here">here</a> - Applicants should submit their abstract and payment to the online abstract submission site by the April 4 abstract submission deadline.
- Letter of recommendation in pdf or Microsoft Word format from a major professor, faculty advisor, program manager or global health advocate on letterhead. This letter should address evidence for the student's commitment to global health issues. Please be sure that this person's full contact information is included in the letter or is listed on the letterhead.
- 2x2 high-resolution headshot photo to be used on signage at the Annual Meeting

The letter of recommendation must be uploaded directly to the application site by the applicant's major professor, faculty advisor, program manager or global health advocate. The site will prompt the applicant to provide the name, mailing address, phone, fax and e-mail for their professor/advisor. The submission program will then generate an e-mail to said professor or advisor with instructions to upload the letter of recommendation to the application site.

<u>Very important</u>... Applicants must gather the contact information for said professor, advisor, program manager or global health advocate prior to beginning their online submission. It is then the applicant's responsibility to communicate with this professor and/or advisor to ensure that he/she has received the e-mail generated by the submission site and has uploaded the letter by the April 4, 2018 deadline.

After April 4, any application that does not include the letter of recommendation will be considered incomplete and will not be forwarded to the review committee.

<u>Finalizing your application</u>... After entering all information into the online application and after the professor or advisor has uploaded the recommendation letter, please go to the REVIEW SUBMISSION page and scroll to the bottom. If all information has been entered correctly, the applicant will see a drop-down menu at the bottom of the page. Select the response of COMPLETE in the drop-down menu and press SAVE. The application will then be complete and ready for review.

## **Questions? Contact:**

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