

Student Travel Funding Opportunities

Master of Athletic Training

University of Utah

1. [ASUU Student Organization Funding](#)

Funding opportunities are available for Recognized Student Organizations (RSO) in good standing with the Department of Student Leadership and Involvement. Travel funding through ASUU is used to support trips to conferences, competitions, and events for the organization.

Prior to completing a funding request, organizations will need to review the [Financial Guidelines](#) document and complete the [ORG Finance Training](#). The Finance Training must be completed by at least the Treasurer and one other member.

A budget request for travel funds can be made through the organizations Campus Connect profile under 'Finance Tool'. Each student can be reimbursed up to \$600 per fiscal year for the following:

- Airfare
- Transportation
- Lodging
- Conference, workshop, or event registration
- Poster printing

Travel needs to meet one of the following three conditions to be eligible for funding:

- An event that is at least 100-miles away from the University of Utah
- An event that involves an overnight stay
- An event with airfare involved

Applications are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis and can be applied for by either an individual student or an RSO.

For questions regarding ASUU funding, please email info@asuu.utah.edu.

2. [Early Career Professional Development Program \(ECPDP\)](#)

First-year and second-year graduate students can apply for Graduate School funds to attend academic workshops or training opportunities without any presentation requirements. *Currently, policies for this program allow attending virtual professional development opportunities.*

Students receiving ECPDP funds are expected to actively participate in the training and will need to demonstrate their intent to participate through proof of workshop registration, training registration, or other documents.

The ECPDP is a matching funds program. Students who apply for the ECPDP *must-have travel funding support from their departments, PI, or other University funding source* to receive matching funds support from the Graduate School. The Graduate School will match funds up to the amount of \$500.

Questions regarding this program can be directed to sabrina.d.smith@utah.edu or by calling 801-581-7642.

3. [Graduate Student Travel Assistance Award \(GSTAA\)](#)

This award provides students the opportunity to present research accomplishments and assist in the development of networking opportunities. Applications must be submitted to the Graduate School before travel dates and will be considered on a first-come, first-serve basis for up to \$500 and *must be supported with dollar-for-dollar match from university funds*.

Graduate travel awards are available to Master's, Ph.D., and professional students. Travel awards are only awarded for travel, which occurs while students are registered as a graduate student at the University of Utah. Once they accept this award, the student will no longer be eligible for the GSTAA or the ECPDP.

Eligibility:

- You must be a student who is actively enrolled in a graduate program at the U.
- You must not have received previous funding from the graduate school.
- You must show verification that your abstract has been accepted to present at the conference you are attending.
- You must receive matching university funds.

The Graduate School is not currently accepting applications for this award, but is accepting applications for their Virtual Conference Award.

4. [Virtual Conference Award](#)

The Virtual Conference Award provides an opportunity for grad students and postdocs to present their research at a conference or professional meeting that has been switched to a fully virtual format where registration is the only expense.

If the grad student or postdoc is able to verify that their abstract has been accepted to present, the grad school will award up to \$200 to cover the registration expense, *with no matching funds required*. Students are only allowed one award per year and applications must be submitted to the Graduate School before the conference date. Receiving the Virtual Conference Award does not make you ineligible for other Graduate

School travel awards including the Graduate Student Travel Assistance Award (GSTAA) and Early Career Professional Development Program (ECPDP).

If the student/postdoc requires more than \$200, there are two (2) options for reimbursement.

1. If the department will cover the expenses over the awarded amount, the department will pay for the necessary fees and the Graduate School will reimburse the appropriate Chartfield for the awarded amount. The Graduate School will require a copy of the receipt in order to approve the reimbursement.
2. If the department will not pay for the expenses over the awarded amount, the student/postdoc will be responsible for paying for the expenses. In this case, the Graduate School will complete an Electronic Payment Request (EPR) in order to reimburse the student/postdoc for the awarded amount. The Graduate School will require a copy of the receipt in order to approve the reimbursement.

Students can apply for this award via the travel portal which can be found on the [Travel Awards Webpage](#). Postdocs can find the application through the [Postdoc Travel Awards Page](#).

Questions regarding this program can be directed to sabrina.d.smith@utah.edu or by calling 801-581-7642.

5. Chuck Kimmel First-Time Attendee Award

The NATA Student Leadership Committee offers the Chuck Kimmel First-Time Attendee Award to help students attend the NATA Clinical & AT Expo in-person. *This year it will be used to support students in covering costs associated with the virtual event.*

The award will provide a total of \$2,000 in award money (divided equally) to as many as four athletic training students who have never attended the annual NATA convention. Applications are due April 15th, 2021.

Award Criteria:

- Submit completed application in PDF format to the NATA SLC Outreach Committee at slcoutreachcom@gmail.com by April 15. Include a letter of recommendation from a certified athletic trainer at the college/university you're attending.
 - Return completed program director verification form (can be sent with application materials from the student)
- Must be a first-time student attendee to the NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo
- Must be a junior or senior (undergraduate) student or first or second year (entry level master's degree) student enrolled in an accredited athletic training program by the time of application deadline.
 - Can't be eligible to sit for the BOC exam to apply
- Must be a NATA student member and have an NPI prior to applying

- Must have at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- All selected award winners **MUST** attend the NATA SLC Student Reception hosted in the Cramer Lounge during the NATA Clinical Symposia & AT Expo in order to receive their award

The application and full eligibility criteria can be found on the [NATA site](#). Questions regarding the award can be directed to slcoutreachcom@gmail.com.