

Letters and Science Student Research Travel Grants

The College of Letters and Science is pleased to announce travel grants for both undergraduate and graduate L & S students to present original research at professional and academic conferences.

In Spring 2008, the Vice President for Research, Creativity and Technology Transfer, Dr. Thomas McCoy, instituted a competition between the colleges on campus to recognize and reward their encouragement of student research. Success was judged by the proportion of each College's population involved in the Spring MSU Research Celebration. L & S won the competition and was awarded both a trophy and monies to further support student research. Dean Paula Lutz is pleased to make this money available in the form of travel grants for students presenting their research at national, international and regional meetings.

The purpose of this program is to provide travel support that would otherwise be unavailable and is not intended to replace existing resources. Grants may, however, be used to match or supplement funding from research grants, departmental F & A funds, or other sources. These grants are awarded for specific projects and travel. Any funds awarded but not spent for the designated purpose will revert to the Dean of Letters and Science.

Students may apply for up to \$500 to present papers or posters at professional conferences. No student may receive funding for more than one trip per year. Each application should include:

- (1) A description of the presentation and the conference at which it will be presented;
- (2) A detailed budget with a justification of each expense
- (3) No more than two letters of support (including letters of acceptance or invitation). One letter should be from their major or mentoring professor.

Applications should not exceed three (3) pages (excluding letters of support) and must include the attached cover sheet with the signature of the applicant's Department Head. Expenses may include travel, lodging, and per diem.

This call is for travel between February 1, 2009 and June 30, 2009.

Applications must be received in the Dean's Office by 5 p.m., Wednesday, January 21, 2009, and should be addressed to:

Dr. Melody M. Zajdel
L & S Student Research Travel Grants
Office of the Dean
College of Letters and Science
2-205 Wilson Hall

COVER SHEET

L & S Student Research Travel Grant

Date _____

Name _____

Department _____

Email address _____ Phone: _____

Total Amount Requested _____

Dates of Travel _____

Destination (city, university, etc.) _____

Purpose of Grant (short, one-sentence description):

Signature of Department Head _____