About the Travel Grants Program

This program provides travel awards to young scientists conducting research at the UW in CEI-related areas to present their work at conferences.

The goals of this program are to provide young UW researchers conducting energy-related research additional opportunities for professional development by presenting their work at major conferences; to raise the profile of the UW CEI by broadening the distribution of important results in core CEI research areas; and to encourage community building among the student and postdoc community by rewarding emerging leaders in collaborative research, education, and/or outreach activities falling under the CEI umbrella.

Guidelines

1. Applicants must have a paper accepted for presentation at a conference. Oral presentations will be favored over poster presentations.

2. An award is up to $1500 per event to cover actual expenses such as airfare, ground transportation, parking, food and lodging. Reimbursements will be made in accordance with the UW's policies on travel and reimbursement including applicable per diem lodging and meal limits.

3. The applicant’s research advisor must agree to provide a 33% match up to $500 (e.g., a $1500 award is paid $1000 by CEI and $500 by the advisor).

4. Applications must be submitted online. They will be reviewed and judged by CEI faculty and/or staff. Applicants will be notified of the result within 2 weeks.

5. To support our goal of raising the profile of the Clean Energy Institute, presentations facilitated by the travel award should include the UW CEI logo on their title and conclusion slides and all posters should include the CEI logo in the title bar. Presenters are asked to make a brief oral acknowledgement “I’d thank the UW Clean Energy Institute for a travel grant to present this work.” All publications based on work supported by CEI should acknowledge the “This material is based in part upon work supported by the State of Washington through the University of Washington Clean Energy Institute.”

6. Individuals may apply twice per fiscal year. Awards will be limited to a maximum of 4 per research group per fiscal year (ending June 30th). In the event of limits on funding, priority for travel fellowship funding will be given based on engagement with broader CEI education activities, and quality of the travel experience, as judged by the education director.

7. CEI researchers may “pre-apply” for a travel fellowship prior to acceptance of their abstract. To do so, the applicant should complete the form as usual, but include a copy of their abstract, and have their PI send an email to uwcei@uw.edu confirming that if the applicant’s paper is accepted for a talk that the PI will cover the required matching funds.

Application

Accepted on a rolling basis throughout 2015-2016 online at www.cei.washington.edu/travel-grants.