**2019-2020 BIOETHICS TRAINEE EXCELLENCE AWARD**

The University of Washington Department of Bioethics & Humanities is happy to be able to contribute funds toward qualifying trainees’ travel expenses for professional development activities in the field of bioethics (conferences, meetings, and workshops). Awarded funds may be used for registration, travel, and other related activity-required costs.

For the 2019-2020 academic year, the maximum award amount is $750 per bioethics trainee per year. Funding may be awarded for full or partial expenses. Awards will be distributed one month after receiving the following from the trainee: 1) payment receipts and 2) proof of attendance/completion of the professional development activity.

Applications will be accepted at any time, but will be reviewed semiannually per below. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Due dates are as follows:

* Autumn/Winter: Application due October 15\*; decision by October 22
* Spring/Summer: Application due January 10\*; decision by January 17

\*If a due date falls on a Saturday or Sunday, applications will be accepted through the following Monday.

**ELIGIBILITY**

* Applicants must be currently enrolled UW students (undergraduate or graduate), post-docs, or fellows pursuing bioethics scholarship.
* Applicants must be actively collaborating with a faculty member (core, adjunct, or affiliate) in the Dept. of Bioethics & Humanities at the time of the application.
* Applications must be submitted for future activities. Funding will not be provided to reimburse prior professional development activities. Activities must be completed within one year of the award.
* Individuals are eligible to receive one scholarship per year.
* Financial need will be taken into consideration. Our intent is to assist bioethics trainees with their out-of-pocket expenses, not supplant grant, contract, or state funding.
* Preference will be given to those presenting an abstract or paper at the conference.

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

* Applications will be rated based on the applicant’s descriptions of the event/activity, goal for the activity, and how the activity relates to the applicant’s professional development in the field of bioethics.
* Individuals whose conference participation might otherwise be un- or underfunded, and demonstrate commitment to the scholarship in the field of bioethics are encouraged to apply.
* Scholarships will be awarded based on the ratings of the application questions, financial need, and the total amount requested by all applicants for any particular quarter.
* Applications will be reviewed by the core faculty in the Dept. of Bioethics & Humanities. Faculty members who are actively collaborating with an applicant must recuse themselves from the review.

**QUESTIONS**

Send questions to bhinfo@uw.edu with subject line “Bioethics Trainee Excellence Award”