San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the American Statistical Association

Student Travel Awards for Joint Statistical Meetings 2022 (Washington, DC)

(Application Deadline: April 15th, 2022)

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the American Statistical Association (ASA) is pleased to announce the 2022 Student Travel Awards to Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM). The conference will be held in Washington DC from August 6th to August 11th, 2022 (link). In the last 10 years, more than 30 awards have been given to qualified students.

Up to Six awards for current graduate and undergraduate students (receiving degrees May 2022 or later) will be granted to cover expenses of attending JSM 2022, up to $1000. The winners are expected to acknowledge The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter travel support at the end of their presentations at the JSM.

- If JSM 2022 is held virtually, the award will cover the fee for conference registration and short courses at the student registration rate.
- If JSM 2022 is held in person, the award will cover the fee for the conference and short courses at the student registration rate plus documented travel expenses (airfare, transportation, lodging, meals).

Qualification

Applicants must be:
1. Current members of the ASA (link).
2. Current full-time graduate or undergraduate students in statistics, biostatistics, epidemiology, or a related discipline, graduating May 2022 or later from a university in the greater San Francisco Bay area.
3. Presenting a paper (oral or poster) at the 2022 JSM as an author.

Application Process

Applicants should e-mail the following documents to the Chapter President-Elect - Dr. Cristina Tortora (sfasa.usa@gmail.com) by April 15th, 2022 (11:59 p.m. Pacific Time):

1. One-page essay describing:
   a. ASA membership status at the time of submitting the Student Travel award application.
Successful applicants are expected to present their work at a meeting of the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the ASA in June 2022. Each speaker will give a 20-minute oral presentation.

Review Process
A committee of the Chapter Presidents (Past, Current, and Elect) and Chapter Treasurer will review the applications and select the winners. Winners will be announced on the chapter website (www.sfasa.org) and notified by telephone or email or both by the end of May 2022.

Experiences of 2019, 2020, 2021 Recipients

“Presenting my work at JSM provided an opportunity to connect and learn with peer statisticians who are interested in the same problem. It was also great to be able to attend a variety of talks, including panel discussions on career paths, where statisticians from academia, industry, and government shared their day to day work and views of applied work. I am very grateful for the support by SFASA and I hope your experience at JSM is fruitful.” (Miyabi Ishhara, UC Berkeley, Award Winner 2019).

“I am very grateful for SFASA’s support for me to attend JSM 2020. Their support enabled me to share my work to a larger audience and increase its impact. It was also great to be able to use JSM as a venue to re-connect with old friends and colleagues. In addition to enabling me to share my academic work, SFASA supported my registration for JSM’s Career Service, through which I secured several great job offers. Finally, I really enjoyed presenting my work to the chapter and getting to know some of the wonderful people involved in SFASA a little better. I had a great experience, and I would highly encourage students to apply.” (Kurtis Shuler, UC Santa Cruz, Award Winner 2020).

“The Travel Award program was a wonderful opportunity to present my work and to learn about interesting research in a wide variety of subfields (in contrast to the individual JSM sessions which were mostly narrower in scope). The Travel Award program better prepared me to present at JSM— I had never done a speed presentation before and typically find it difficult to speak quickly, so this helped me better prepare for the 5-minute presentation format.” (Dan Kluger, Stanford University, Award Winner 2021).